

WINTRY BLASTS SEND MERCURY TO SUB-ZERO MARK

McNARY FARM AID BILL IS INTRODUCED

Revised to Meet Many Objections Voiced Last Year

Washington, Dec. 13—(AP)—The battle over farm relief legislation was re-opened today in the senate when the famous McNary-Haugen bill, revised in an effort to win necessary support, was introduced by Chairman McNary of the agriculture committee.

Through its presentation farm relief advocates, who have been awaiting a vehicle of debate, from now on will be in a position to press their case whenever the opportunity presents itself.

The measure, which is designed to facilitate the handling of surplus crops, was described by Senator McNary as necessary to improve the condition of the American farmer and to protect his standard of living.

For Five Commodities
"It combines the plan for stabilizing five basic commodities," he said, "cotton, wheat, corn, hogs and rye, by the use of stabilization trust drawn from each with a credit plan for stabilization all farm commodities in so far as it can be done through the wide extension of credit to cooperation. It is not in any particular a price-fixing device or plan."

"No public funds may be used directly in effecting such controls but loans may be made from a revolving fund of \$250,000,000 to the several commodity stabilization funds in anticipation of the collection of the stabilization fees—all such loans to be repaid with interest. The federal farm board, which would be created by the bill, will not itself buy or sell anything on its own account."

The federal farm board would have a nominating committee chosen by farm organizations to make nominations to the present for membership to the board.

The equalization fee would be collected at the most convenient point along the commodity's route to market. Loans not exceeding \$25,000 could be made by the board of cooperative organizations for paying to cost of storage and processing.

State's Star is On

Stand in Canton, O.

Canton, O., Dec. 14—(AP)—Continuation of testimony by Steve Kascholk, alleged slayer of Don R. Mellett, Canton publisher, was continued today when Judge Dill overruled objections of defense counsel.

Objections of defense counsel, which were first voiced last yesterday were based on defense allegations that the testimony of Kascholk was inadmissible.

Homer Durand of defense counsel argued against receiving any declaration from Kascholk, contending he was a co-conspirator, until a prima facie case of conspiracy had first been proved by the state.

Prosecutor McClintock declared Kascholk was not involved in any conspiracy but that the state would show conspiracy between McDermott, Ben Rudner and Louis Mazer, defendants.

Follower of Glenn Young

on Trial for Killing Wife

Benton, Ill., Dec. 14—(AP)—George Marks, 33, of Marion, who claims to have been an officer in Williamson County four or five years ago and who was a follower of the late S. Glenn Young, liquor raider, went on trial in circuit court here today for the murder of his wife, Anna, in West Frankfort, last August 9. The slaying followed domestic trouble.

Senator Frazier Given

Unanimous Return Vote

Washington, Dec. 14—(AP)—Banned after the 1924 election as a political undesirable in the republican ranks, Senator Frazier, North Dakota, insurgent, was formally welcomed back into the fold today by unanimous vote of the republican senate steering committee.

JURY ORDERED TO REPORT IN COUNTY COURT WEDNESDAY FOR TRIAL OF TWO CASES DAILY

Judge William L. Leech opened the regular business of the December term of the county court yesterday afternoon and the jury was ordered to report Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock to begin the trial of cases. The first case to be presented to the jury tomorrow will be the Ben Zmudka liquor violation. Louis Sarver, charged with child abandonment, is scheduled to appear in court at to-

HEAD OF STATE GRANGE FAVORS GASOLINE TAXES

Urged Organization to Work for Such Tax at Yearly Meet

Rockford, Ill., Dec. 14—(AP)—E. A. Eckert, master of the Illinois Grange, urged the organization to work for enactment of a gasoline tax in Illinois in his annual address at the yearly session of the Grange which started here today.

He said a gasoline tax was logical and fair and pointed out that Illinois is one of the few states in the union that does not levy such a tax.

"It is only fair," he continued, "that the traffic should bear a part of the cost of maintaining the hard roads system."

When Illinois motorists travel the roads in other states, they help pay for the roads every time they buy a gallon of gasoline, but cars from every other state in the union travel our roads and help wear them out, without paying a cent of upkeep.

It is suggested the Grange support some measure of this kind and use its influence to have it enacted into a law during the next session of the legislature.

Mr. Eckert told the delegates of the national Grange meeting at Portland, and repeated the findings of that body regarding farm relief—that it must be predicted along the lines of regulating production to market demands.

NEXT BATTLE OF McPHERSON CASE IN COOK COUNTY

Warrant for Arrest of Ormiston Received: to Start Fight

Chicago, Dec. 14—(AP)—A warrant was received today by Chief of Police Collins for the arrest of Kenneth Ormiston, former radio broadcaster, sought in California, in connection with the Almo Seiple McPherson kidnapping case.

Chicago discovered today that it must be thrust into a front seat in the Almo Seiple McPherson case.

In the preliminary skirmishing over efforts to return the radio man's legal refuge here, there was promise of a thorough airing of the case in Chicago courts and probably of details not brought out during the Los Angeles hearings.

Statements from District Attorney Keyes of Los Angeles as to his readiness to present his case against Ormiston at extradition proceedings drew declarations from the former Angulus Temple operator that he is prepared for a long fight to prove his innocence of charges of subordination of perjury and conspiracy to defeat justice.

Ormiston said he was eager to be arrested on California warrants so as to clarify matters, but declared "I have committed no crime and I will prove it."

Missing Authress May

be Found in York Hotel

London, Dec. 14—(AP)—A woman, who it is believed may be the missing American novelist, Agatha Christie, has been found at a hotel in Harrogate, York. Co. Archibald Christie, husband of the missing writer, has gone to Harrogate on advice of police to identify her.

Death List of Tornado

Last Spring Increased

Chicago, Dec. 14—(AP)—The death list of a tornado which struck Harvey, Ill., last spring was increased today with the death of Henry Koehn, 33. His death today was attributed to heart disease and nervousness brought on by being frightened.

Streator Newspaper Was

Incorporated by Owners

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 14—(AP)—The Times-Press Publishing Company of Streator, capitalized at \$250,000, has been granted incorporation papers here.

The Marquette Cement Manufacturing Company of LaSalle filed notice of increase in its capital stock from \$7,000,000 to \$10,000,000.

FINAL ARGUMENT IN OIL HEARING WAS MADE TODAY

Fall-Doheny Case to Go to Jury Sometime Wednesday

Washington, Dec. 14—(AP)—The defense began today its final attempt to beat back the tide of prosecution argument in the Fall-Doheny oil conspiracy trial.

With every prospect that the case would be in the hands of the jury by sundown tomorrow, a succession of defense attorneys were allotted a six hour period in which to tell the jury.

There was no taint of guilt in E. L. Doheny's loan of \$100,000 to A. B. Fall, while Fall was in the cabinet and before Doheny was awarded the lease to the Elk Hills oil reserve.

Except for a half hour at the opening of court, during which Owen J. Roberts, for the government, completed the prosecution argument, begun yesterday, the defense was given all of today's session for their replies.

Roberts repeated the charge that the \$100,000 was part of a conspiracy to defraud the government.

He also asked the jurors to consider that J. J. Cotter, vice president of Doheny's Pan-American Company and Doheny's confidential agent in the oil negotiations, had not been called to the witness stand.

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Seek to Cut Heat

Element in Gas

Chicago, Dec. 14—(AP)—The United Mine Workers of America filed an intervening petition today before the Illinois Commerce Commission which is conducting a hearing on restoration of higher heating value in the gas of the Western United Gas Company.

The petition asks that the company be permitted to sell gas of lesser heat value so it may use Illinois coal and thereby provide increased employment for miners of the state. The heating value was lowered two years, on permission of the commission to permit experiments with the coal.

The company, which serves Joliet, Aurora, Elgin and intervening territory, failed to return to the higher value gas when so ordered last year, and the hearing today was to give it an opportunity to explain why.

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With the house registering rapid progress in disposal of regular sheaf of departmental supply bills members of the senate today had an opportunity to look over a legislative program which contains a number of measures which have produced heated controversy in the past, including such measures as the Gooding railroad refund bill, the Capper truth in fabric bill, the Swing-Johnson Boulder Canyon Dam proposal and the 50 year old French spoliation claims.

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SELF DESTRUCTION OF MRS. MARY O'MALLEY LIKE THAT OF HER BROTHER LONG AGO

Man Drowned Self in Rock River Also: Inquest Held

The suicide of Mrs. Mary O'Malley of this city, by drowning in Rock river late Saturday night, recalls the similar sudden death of her brother, Patrick Daley, who also suicided by drowning in Rock River about 26 years ago. The brother, it is said, took his life by jumping into the river at a point very close to where the turbine wheel house of the Reynolds wire company stood before the erection of the new hydro plant.

Belief that Mrs. O'Malley jumped into the river at a point between the Galena avenue bridge and the power dam, were dispelled late yesterday, when it was reported to the police that the woman was seen west of the passenger bridge. She is believed to have walked into the river about two blocks west of the Galena avenue bridge, after having removed her head wrap, glasses, gloves and coat at a point near the power dam.

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Misdeal in Card Game Has Serious Results

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 14—(AP)—A misdeal in a card game cost the life of his wife and will result in 25 years in the state penitentiary for Leo Mattocks, 43, who was today found guilty of slaying her at his home on Feb. 8, Mattocks, his wife and another man, a friend of the family, were playing cards when the misdeal caused a row. There had been drinks and the row soon flamed into a fight during which Mattocks got a gun from a dresser. A shot was fired and Mrs. Mattocks fell dead. Mattocks pleaded that the shot was accidentally fired during the scuffle with the other man. Mattocks' daughter testified in his favor and the verdict came as a stunning blow to the man. He had passed up a chance to plead guilty to manslaughter sure that he would be cleared of all blame by a jury.

PROBATE CLERK, SHORT IN FUNDS HELD IN PRISON

But Rockfordite Says He Can Explain All Accusations

Rockford—Cheerful, urbane and inclined to be talkative, Henry P. Rasmussen occupies a cell in the county jail apparently unworried by charges of embezzlement of county funds while clerk of the probate court.

"I can explain everything," he said today. "I am anxious to talk to State's Attorney Knight, and have my bond fixed. If there is a shortage of funds in my account as probate clerk then I am not aware of it. No I don't think I will get an attorney. It's good to be back in Rockford, even under these circumstances."

Rasmussen consulted with several of the deputy clerks whom he employed and has several other visitors. He appears to be the picture of health.

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TODAY'S MARKET REPORTS

Chicago Produce

Chicago, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Poultry: live steady; receipts 13 cars; fowls 18¢; turkeys 18¢; ducks 20¢; geese 18¢. Potatoes: 7 cars; on track 248; total U. S. shipments 391; no trade account of weather too few sales to establish market. Butter: higher; receipts 11,368 tubs; creamery extras 53¢; standards 49¢; extra firsts 49¢; firsts 42½¢; seconds 37¢. Eggs: higher; receipts 6815 cases; firsts 43¢; ordinary firsts 38¢; refrigerator extras 35¢; refrigerator extras 35¢; refrigerator firsts 34¢.

Chicago Livestock

Chicago, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Hogs: 46,000; 50¢ lower than Monday's close; around 15¢ lower than average; top 11.35; 170 to 240 lbs. 11.15 to 11.25; all weights upward to 11.25; pigs included; packing 10.00 to 10.90; slaughter pigs 10.75 to 11.25; heavy hogs 11.00 to 11.30; mediums 11.00 to 11.35; lights 11.00 to 11.30; light lights 11.00 to 11.25. Cattle: 14,000; steady on most killers; yearlings active; prime kind 14.35; bulk 13.00 to 13.35; choice heavy steers slow; stockers scarce 25¢ higher; for week: most weighty steers 10.50; downward; vealers active 10.00 to 11.00; to packers: 11.50 to 12.00 to outsiders. Sheep: 23,000; slow opening; steady; choice fed westerns to small killers 12.55; holding best above 13.55; bulk woolled offerings 12.00 to 13.00; choice medium fed clipped bullocks 11.75; bulk ewes 5.00 to 5.50; comeback feeding lambs 11.50 to 12.00; top Tuesday's yearling wethers 10.00.

Chicago Grain Table

	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—				
Dec.	1.37½	1.38½	1.37½	1.38½
May	1.38½	1.39½	1.37½	1.38½
July	1.31½	1.31½	1.31	1.31½
CORN—				
Dec.	.73½	.74	.73½	.74
May	.81½	.82½	.81½	.82½
July	.84½	.85	.84½	.84½
OATS—				
Dec.	.45½	.46	.45½	.45½
May	.49½	.50	.49½	.49½
July	.48½	.48½	.48½	.48½
RYE—				
Dec.	.89½	.89½	.89½	.89½
May	.96½	.96½	.96½	.96½
July	.95	.95½	.95	.95½
BARLEY—				
Jan.	11.70	11.97	11.70	11.97
May	11.85	12.07	11.85	12.07
RYE—				
Jan.			12.85	
May			13.00	
BELLIES—				
Jan.	14.00			14.00

Chicago Cash Grain

Chicago, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Wheat No. 2 red 1.36; No. 1 hard 1.42; No. 1 mixed 1.34½. Corn No. 3 mixed 75¢; No. 4 mixed 68¢; No. 5 mixed 64¢; No. 6 mixed 60¢; No. 2 yellow 72¢; No. 3 yellow 70¢; No. 4 yellow 68¢; No. 5 yellow 66¢; No. 6 yellow 64¢; No. 2 white 76¢; No. 4 white 74¢; No. 5 white 72¢; No. 6 white 70¢; sample 56¢. Oats No. 2 white 50¢; No. 3 white 46¢; No. 4 white 39¢; No. 5 white 37¢. Rye not quoted. Barley 65¢. Timothy seed 5.00 to 5.25. Clover seed 25.00 to 32.50. Lard 11.55.

LEGAL PUBLICATIONS

MASTER'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE. (Forced Sale.) State of Illinois, County of Lee.—ss. In the Circuit Court of said County, The Prudential Insurance Company of America, a corporation, James W. Coffey, Sarah C. Coffey, E. Stevenson, John D. Clary, Peoples Loan and Trust Company, a corporation, and D. Hathaway, James C. Foster and George Hicks, IN CHANCERY, GEN. NO. 4618, FORECLOSURE. PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I, James W. Coffey, Master-in-Chancery of the Circuit Court in and for said Lee County, in pursuance of a decree of said Court made and entered in the above entitled cause on the 20th day of November, A. D. 1926, at the September, A. D. 1926 term of said court, will on SATURDAY, THE 8TH DAY OF JANUARY, A. D. 1927, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the north door of the Lee County Court House in the City of Dixon, Lee County, Illinois, sell at public vendue to the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, to satisfy an indebtedness adjudged and decreed to be due to the complainant in said cause in the sum of EIGHT THOUSAND AND ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS AND ONE CENT (\$8100.01), together with the interest thereon, and also the costs of said suit and procedure, including solicitor's fees, all and singular, the following described real estate in said Lee County, Illinois, situated in said County of Lee and State of Illinois, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said decree, to-wit: The West Half (SE¼) of the Southeast Quarter (SE¼) of the Southwest Quarter (SW¼) of Section Twenty-seven (27), excepting one-half (½) acre heretofore conveyed as a burial ground also, the Northwest Quarter (NW¼) of the Northwest Quarter (NW¼) of Section Thirty-four (34), excepting a strip of land one (1) Rod wide off the South side thereof; also, Four (4) Acres in the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter (SE¼) of Section Twenty-eight (28) lying East and North of highway; all in Township Twenty (20) North of Range Ten (10) East of the Fourth Principal Meridian, containing Two Hundred Eighty-three (283) acres, more or less, situated in the County of Lee and State of Illinois, subject to redemption as provided by law. Dated at Dixon, Illinois, this 14th day of December, A. D. 1926. JAMES W. COFFEY, Master-in-Chancery of the Circuit Court in and for Lee County, Illinois. Dixon and Dixon, Solicitors for Complainant. Dec 14-21-28 Jan 6

Liberty Bonds Close

New York, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Liberty bonds closing: 3½s 100.26, 1st 4½s 102.26, 2nd 4½s 100.31, 3rd 4½s 101.12, 4th 4½s 102.7, Treasury 3½s 102.28, New 4½s 103.25.

East St. Louis Horses

East St. Louis, Ill.—(AP)—Horses and mules unchanged. Horses: Good to choice drafts \$125 to \$185; medium to good drafts \$75 to \$125; choice southern horses \$400 to \$550. Draft Mules: 16 to 17 hands high \$175 to \$200; 15 to 16 hands \$125 to \$150; cheap cotton mules 14.3 to 15.2 hands \$20 to \$65.

Local Markets

DIXON MILK PRICE From Dec. 1 until further notice the Borden company will pay for milk testing 4 per cent butter fat, receiving \$2.50 per hundred pounds for direct ratio.

Lodge News

District Deputy Was Guest of Dixon Elks District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler Robert Crawford of Mendota, accompanied by a delegation of Elks from that city, delivered the arctic winds of last evening and motored to Dixon, where the former made his official inspection of the Dixon lodge. Following the business session a social session terminated the program of the evening. Past District Deputy Hugo Weyrauch of Sterling was also a guest of the Dixon lodge.

Dixon Gyros Saw One of Members on Film

Members of the Dixon Gyro club enjoyed a very interesting meeting last evening in the Guild rooms at the Presbyterian church. Following the regular weekly dinner, the showing of a miniature film of the 1926 International convention at Winnipeg, Canada, proved most entertaining. Victor Elchler, one of the active Dixon Gyro members, appeared in the filming of the convention sessions several times.

A. F. & A. M. SPECIAL

A special meeting of Friendship lodge, No. 7, A. F. & A. M. will be held at the Masonic hall Thursday evening for degree work.

M. W. A. THURSDAY

The regular meeting of Dixon Camp No. 1, M. W. A. will be held Thursday evening, instead of Wednesday evening as erroneously announced.

Barber

STUTZEL—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl B. Stutzel of New Monday evening at the Sterling public hospital, a son, weight eight and one-quarter pounds. Mother and babe are reported doing well.

Former Peoria Man in Serious Scrape in West

Long Beach, Calif., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Investigation into the death of Mrs. Cornelia Butcher Murphy, Fresno music teacher and bride of three weeks, who died Saturday after a beating alleged to have been administered by her husband Lee Daniel Murphy, a former resident of Peoria, Illinois, led to the theory that the young bride had been attacked in a quarrel over another woman. Authorities learned that Murphy had been married twice before and had been divorced. Recently he had visited Miss Mildred Merrill in San Francisco, who claimed to be his wife, and the girl's mother said the couple had left together. It was reported that Murphy also has a wife and two children living in Wisconsin.

Galesburg Phone Co. to Issue \$300,000 in Bonds

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Authority to issue \$300,000 first mortgage 6 per cent gold bonds to sell at face value was granted the Intra State Telephone Company of Galesburg by the Illinois Commerce Commission today. The company was also directed to execute and deliver a first mortgage deed of trust, date January 1, 1927 to the Galesburg National Bank.

NOTICE

There is yet time for Christmas delivery of a few more fancy screens. Can furnish Cretones and Chintzes. H. B. Fuller, 512 N. Galena Ave., Phone 2948.

Platteville Municipal Building Fuel of Flame

Platteville, Wis., Dec. 14.—(AP)—City hall, built in 1883, was destroyed by fire Monday night at a loss estimated at \$50,000. A desk containing the city's most important records was saved.

HORSE SALE

Dec. 17th, 1926, 1 o'clock p. m. Two miles northwest Grand Detour, 6 colts coming 3 years old; 5 brood mares 7-8 years old; 2 geldings, 5 and 6 years old; 3 spring colts. Terms, cash, or may be arranged to suit purchaser. H. L. Palmer.

BOX SOCIAL

Dec. 17th, Burley school, 2 miles east on Lincoln Highway, 8 o'clock. Mary Meeks, teacher. 2931*

Local Briefs

Oliver Rogers returned home last night from a business trip to Chicago. Attorney William Kehoe of Amboy was a Dixon caller today.

SIX BELOW IS RECORDED BY INSTRUMENTS

—Vocal blankets, 100% Virgin wool, 65x50 inches, \$9.75 a pair. Howell & Facer. J. L. Zugworth of Polo transacted business in Dixon yesterday afternoon. J. L. Kleyl of Mendota visited with friends in Dixon last evening. —Our Christmas cards are beautiful. Come and see them while the selection is at its best. E. F. Shaw Printing Co. —What about a year's subscription to the Telegraph as a Christmas gift?

35 BELOW IN NORTH

St. Paul, Dec. 14.—(AP)—Thirty below zero temperature were reported in the northwest states today bringing the coldest weather of the season. With clearing skies following yesterday's blizzard, road crews set out today to clear highways blocked by snow drifts.

THROUGHOUT ILLINOIS

OTTAWA—A temperature of two and a half degrees below zero was officially recorded here today. ROCKFORD—The mercury registered nine below this morning, the coldest of the season. DANVILLE—A drop of 51 degrees in 24 hours, from 56 to 5 above, was the weather record here.

AURORA—The temperature dropped below zero here today for the first time of the season. It was 2 below at 7 o'clock. The coldest day previously was 9 above.

GALLEGSBURG—Broken water pipes and meters today attested the low mark to which the mercury sank during the night. The coldest point was 10 below zero. The city water department reported 75 meters broken and small floods in a number of homes from frozen and broken pipes.

BLOOMINGTON—After having dropped 51 degrees in 16 hours, the temperature shortly before 7 a. m. stood at zero.

SPRINGFIELD—Mercury dropped to three degrees above zero here this morning.

Steamer Aground With Mutilous Crew Aboard

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 14.—(AP)—The schooner Charles A. Dehn, loaded with cross ties, is ashore on Frying Pan shoals with her officers reported threatened by a mutilous crew. A message from the coast guard cutter said the captain refused to permit guardsmen to board the vessel because of the mutiny and that the coast guardsmen had returned to their station for arms with which to force their way on board the ship. Four tugs from Wilmington and South Port, have started for the scene. The Charles A. Dehn is a 1,100 ton vessel.

Wig-Wag Signals to be Installed in Rockford

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Application of the Chicago North Western Railway for authority to install two wig-wag signals at its Seventh Street crossing in Rockford to replace crossing gates was granted by the Illinois Commerce Commission today. Crossing bells were ordered removed from wig wag signals at three street crossings of the Wabash Railroad in Decatur. An agreement was approved between the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad and the Illinois Public Service Company providing for the construction and maintenance of a power transmission line and wire crossing at Quincy, Adams County.

Stronghurst, Ill., Bank Closed by State Officer

Stronghurst, Ill., Dec. 14.—(AP)—The State Bank of Stronghurst has been closed for readjustment, according to a notice posted on its front door by a state bank examiner. It is said that the bank's funds had been loaned heavily to farmers and stock raisers who were unable to take care of their paper when the loans came due.

Woman Held as Author of Several Bad Checks

Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 14.—(AP)—With the arrest of Mrs. Eloise Ayers alias Mrs. Annie Ayers, of Tallula, Ill., near here, police here believed they will be able to clear up several bad check cases. The arrest was made on a warrant sworn out by a local merchant, charging Mrs. Ayers with having passed a worthless check for \$16.78 nearly a year ago. The woman was unable to furnish bond last night and was placed in the county jail awaiting preliminary hearing, which will probably take place today.

NOTICE

A fine Christmas gift for your young son or daughter would be a few shares in the Loan & Building Association. Ask Hal Bardwell, Secretary about it.

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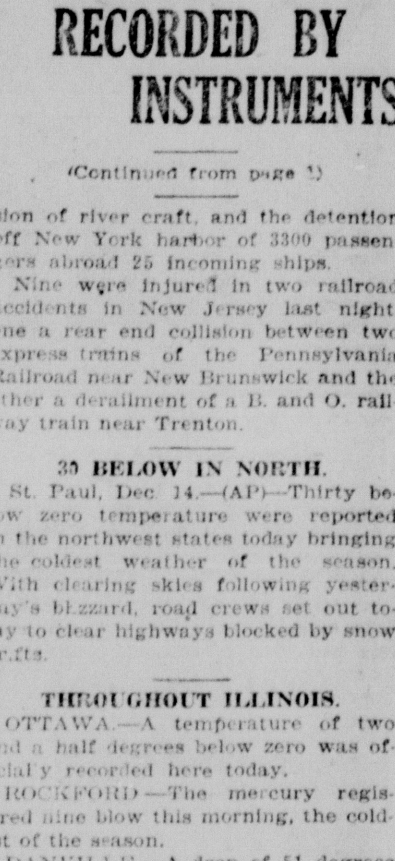
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The Perfectly Appointed Table



II. The Formal Dinner

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ROYAL NEIGHBORS TO HOLD A CARD PARTY

The Royal Neighbors of America of Amboy have arranged for a card party to be held Thursday evening, Dec. 16 in their hall over the Haaf bakery. The party will start at 8 o'clock and a good attendance is anticipated.

FAIRY TALES AND LIES

By Olive Roberts Barton

It is interesting to watch the fairy tale being jerked hither and yon and torn into little bits by two factions of psychologists who specialize in observation of the child mind. One side declares that the fairy tale develops a dread of reality, a terror of the actual and a tendency to introduce into life a wonder world which turns out to be falsehood. Disillusion results in a tremendous shock, so they claim. The other side insists that fairy tales tend to develop the child's creative power and impart insight and imagination—that they sharpen mental vision and enable the mind's eye to see more clearly. Personally, I vote with the latter class, although among the former class may be mentioned many great educators such as Madame Montessori, founder of one of the greatest systems of teaching in the world. It is an important question, because under the category of the fairy tale comes "Santa Claus." What are we to tell the child about Santa Claus? The enemies of the fairy tale claim that when children hear that there is no Santa Claus the news comes with a "tremendous shock" and that the child loses all confidence in its mother. The mother has lied on the subject—the same mother who taught the child not to lie. The trouble is that the harmless myth of religious significance that started with the poor family who entertained a saint unaware, who in turn befriended the family on Christmas, has become an entirely materialistic custom. Children have learned to look upon Santa Claus from a purely selfish standpoint, as someone to be worked for whatever they can get out of him. The spirit of generosity and mercy and charity has been crowded out of the story and the dress is left. The child turns profane. We keep the fiction of Santa Claus up too long, for another thing. It is a sweet old sentiment for very little children. But let the mother herself explain before the child is very old how Santa Claus, instead of being a real person, is only a sweet, kindly spirit that means "to give." The child will not be shocked at the transition. As for fairy tales in general (barring the pernicious ones) we are robbing him of the greatest joy in life if we don't let him have a fairy.

CURING TARDY GUESTS

By Olive Roberts Barton

I did not know who Brillat Savarin was. It seemed that he wrote aphorisms. And this is one of his aphorisms: "A man who keeps a good dinner waiting for a tardy friend commits

STEAMER WITH PASSENGERS AND CREW REPORTED LOST

London, Dec. 14.—(AP)—A Lloyd's dispatch from Reykjavik, Iceland, says the Norwegian steamer Balholm has been wrecked at Agnar, Faxa Bay, and crew and passengers drowned. No details are given.

Attention teachers, order your candy now. Special prices on Fresh Made Candies at

CLEDON'S 29014

Veteran Librarian of Supreme Court is Dead

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 14.—(AP)—Ralph H. Wilkins, librarian of the Supreme Court library for the last twenty years, was reappointed for a term of six years by the supreme court today. Mr. Wilkins came here from Robinson, Illinois.

Do not fail to see our beautiful Christmas cards. Order now or you will have difficulty in getting a good selection. B. F. Shaw Printing Co.

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The Woodmen Dance

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SOCIETY NEWS

Tuesday
 Women's Missionary Society—Grace Evangelical church.
 Girl Scout Investiture—Y. M. C. A. W. O. M. L.—Moose Hall.
 Y. W. M. S.—Parsonage of St. Paul's Lutheran church.
 True Blue Class and Mrs. Wells' class of Christian church entertained by Loyal Men's class Christian church—Christian church.
 Presbyterian Guild—Mrs. Robert Eisele, 915 Peoria avenue.

Wednesday
 Palmyra Mutual Aid Soc.—Mrs. Frank Sills.
 South Dixon Community Club—Mrs. Peter Hoyle.
 L. O. O. M.—Moose Hall.
 Children Mystic Workers Christmas Party—Union Hall.
 Ideal Club—Mrs. H. L. Fordham, 531 Lincoln way.

Ladies Aid Society Christian church
 Mrs. L. L. McGinnis, 306 E. Seventh Street.

Thursday
 Unity Guild—Mrs. Geo. Schmucker, 1901 Galena ave.
 P. N. G. Club—L. O. O. F. hall.
 Dorcas Society—Congregational church.
 Bethel W. M. S.—Mrs. W. T. Greig, 118 E. Everett street.
 R. N. A. Card Party—R. N. A. hall.
 Moose Christmas Party—Moose hall.
 Duplicate Bridge Club—Mrs. W. C. Durkes, 722 E. Fellows St.
 Sunshine Class—St. Paul's Lutheran church.

Friday
 Presbyterian W. M. S.—Mrs. Willard Thompson, 518 E. Second St.

Saturday
 Kendall Club—Mrs. W. C. Durkes, 722 E. Fellows street.

OLD MASTERS

Roll on thou ball, roll on!
 Through pathless realms of space
 Roll on!
 What though I'm in a sorry case?
 What though I cannot meet my bills?
 What though I suffer toothache's
 ills?
 What though I swallow countless
 pills?
 Never you mind!
 Roll on!

Roll on thou ball, roll on!
 Through seas of inky air
 Roll on!
 It's true I've got no shirt to wear;
 It's true my butcher's bill is due;
 It's true my prospects all look blue—
 But don't let that unsettle you!
 Never you mind!
 Roll on! (It rolls on.)

P. N. G. CLUB TO MEET ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON
 The P. N. G. Club will meet at 1. O. O. F. hall Thursday afternoon, with picnic supper at 6:30 o'clock. A Christmas grab bag for the exchange of gifts will be a feature of the afternoon. The hostesses are Mesdames Hild, Kaylor, Kennedy, Hutchins and Brooks.

Menus for the Family

BY SISTER MARY
BREAKFAST—Orange juice, cereal thin cream, creamed dried beef on toast, crisp toast, milk, coffee.
LUNCHEON—Rice and vegetable soup, croissants, jellied apple salad, brown bread, molasses cookies, milk, tea.
DINNER—Roast veal, baked macaroni and tomatoes, creamed carrots, endive with French dressing, whole wheat bread, date pie, milk, coffee.

Keep in mind that veal requires long, slow cooking to make it at its best. A roast needs twenty-five to thirty minutes per pound with an additional half hour to insure perfect and thorough roasting. Extra fat is usually needed, since veal is an immature meat and seldom fat in itself. Thin slices of salt pork can be laid over the roast or strips of clear fat pork may be threaded through the meat with a larding needle.

Rice and Vegetable Soup
 One quart can tomatoes, 4 table-spoons rice, 2 medium-sized onions, 1 turnip, 2 small carrots, 2 cups water, 2 tablespoons butter, 1 teaspoon salt, 1-2 teaspoon pepper, 1-2 teaspoon celery pepper.

Melt butter in sauce pan. Add onions peeled and cut in thin slices and cooked over a low fire for five minutes. Add rice and stir until thoroughly coated with butter. Wash and scrape carrots and turnip. Cut in thin slices and add with tomatoes, water, salt, pepper and celery pepper to mixture in sauce pan. Cover and simmer twenty minutes or until vegetables and rice are tender. Rub through colander and reheat before serving.
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Rounds Out Fortieth Year of Service

Elgin, Ill., Dec. 14—(AP)—Round-ing out its fortieth year the Elgin Woman's club leaves behind a heritage of genuine community service in the form of the Sherman Hospital, which has this year received a \$125,000 addition.

In 1887, when the Elgin Woman's club received its charter, it had a membership of fifty-three. Today the Woman's club has five hundred members. Mrs. Ralph D. Hollenback, president of the club, and one of the signers of the original charter and two others, Mrs. Mary E. B. Hoyt and Mrs. E. D. Waldron, who attended the first meeting of the club, are still in active service.

One year after the organization of the club, because of the great need of a hospital in the city, the Woman's club bent its efforts in that direction, and so interested Henry Sherman in their project that he donated the house and lot situated on the corner of Channing and North Streets, stipulating only that it bear his name. The hospital was removed to a two story frame dwelling, the site of the new hospital, in 1893, but these small quarters were soon outgrown and two years later the club began the erection of the building which

now occupies the spacious grounds overlooking the Fox river to the north. This building soon became inadequate to house the patients and again it was enlarged. Among the generous givers at this time, besides the Sherman family, were Mr. and Mrs. George P. Lord, and through the influence of Mrs. Mary E. B. Hoyt a permanent free bed fund was established called the Hartwell Free Bed Fund.

Contributions of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Retan made it possible to erect the Retan Hall in 1912 and at Mr. Retan's death he left a portion of his estate which netted the club \$25,000 and also provided for the up-keep of Retan Hall. The Retan legacy, together with a campaign for \$35,000, made it possible to build a \$55,000 addition to the hospital in 1916.

The service which the Sherman hospital has been to Elgin may be seen from the fact that during 1925 there were 2142 patients cared for at the hospital, 268 births, a daily average of 62 patients and only 76 deaths during the year.

St. Paul's W. M. S. Held Fine Meeting

The Woman's Missionary Society of St. Paul's Lutheran Church held its monthly meeting in the church parlors Thursday afternoon. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. L. C. Johnson. The following program was given:

Song—"Joy to the World."
 Sentence Prayer by members, closing with prayer by the President.
 Lesson Study—"The Gift of God's Love Came to Bethlehem," told in words of Holy Writ and beautiful hymns, led by Mrs. Young.
 Reading by Mrs. Harry Stephan.
 Minutes of last meeting approved.
 Treasurer's report accepted.
 Roll Call was answered by 25 members.

The election of officers for the coming year were:
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 Vice President—Mrs. L. W. Walter.
 Recording Secretary—Mrs. E. L.

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 Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Wm. Teichendorff.
 Treasurer—Mrs. W. H. Lenox.
 Dues amounting to \$42.25 were paid. The Christmas gift for China was \$12.25.

Reading by Mrs. T. Switzer.
 Song—"Jesus Shall Reign."
 No further business the meeting closed by repeating the closing prayer.

Dainty refreshments were served during the social hour by the hostesses: Mesdames Switzer, Atkins, Martinson and Young.

SUNSHINE CLASS TO HOLD MEETING AND CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Sunshine Class of St. Paul's Lutheran church will hold their regular meeting in the church parlors on Thursday evening at 7:30.

A Christmas program will be given; a feature of the entertainment will be a grab bag for which please bring an article not exceeding ten cents in value. As this is the last meeting of the year a large attendance is desired.

The hostesses for the evening will be Mesdames Nettie Cookley, Jennie Reese, Blanche Howell, Hannah Chronister, Millie Millarkey and Vernie Lengel.

Amboy Couple are Wedded Here Sunday

A pretty wedding was solemnized Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock when Miss Eleanor Adella Smith, eldest daughter of Newman W. Smith of Amboy and Frederick William Schmidt, eldest son of Andrew Schmidt also of Amboy, were united in marriage at the parsonage of the English Lutheran church of Dixon, the Rev. Lloyd Walter officiating at the ceremony. The bride was beautifully attired in Tiffin brown all silk satin-faced crepe and she wore a corsage of pink tea roses. The young couple were unattended. After the ceremony they left on a brief honeymoon trip and upon their return will live with Mr. and Mrs. John Schmidt, the bridegroom's brother, with whom he has been farming in partnership until their new home is built in the spring. Their many friends extend congratulations and best wishes.

KENDALL CLUB WILL MEET SATURDAY P. M.

The members of the Kendall club will meet Saturday at the home of Mrs. W. C. Durkes, 722 E. Fellows street.

Christmas Seals Show Results in State T. B. Fight

Tuberculosis is like a pernicious but pleasant sin in that it is mighty hard to get rid of but too expensive to keep. Christmas seal sales seem to come around pretty often but every year the effort put forth through funds from this and other sources knocks 100 or so off the tuberculosis mortality list.

It's costing about \$15,000 per day to fight tuberculosis in Illinois but then there were 3,050 fewer deaths last year from that disease than there were eight years ago. If each of those 3,050 persons average \$5 per day in earnings the people of the state are more than breaking even because they get out of numerous doctor and nursing bills.

The little Christmas seals, then, are helping to seal the doom of tuberculosis. Every year since 1918 the death rate from that infection has declined. Last year the rate was the lowest ever recorded even though the general death rate went

up. That fact is a sure measure of progress.
 Last year there were 5,529 deaths from tuberculosis in Illinois. According to the law of average that means there were 55,000 living tuberculous people left. Helping this army of sufferers as much as we can and preventing them from infecting others is the task we have to face. That's why there is still need of seal sales to carry on the fight.

WARE-KEANE WEDDING CELEBRATED

Miss Margaret Ware of the Light-house community was married on Friday last to Maurice Keane in Rockford, where they will make their home. Mr. Keane is a resident of Rockford, where he met Miss Ware during her attendance at college in that city.

MISS DECKER ATTENDS MEETING IN GENESEO

Miss Edna Decker of the local I. N. U. Co. office, chairman of its company's women's committee for its entire territory, went to Geneseo today to attend a meeting of the employees of that district, at which time she will discuss the women's committee's plans for the year.

Waging Campaign Against "Petting"

New York, Dec. 14—(AP)—A quiet drive against "petting" is underway by the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A. and kindred organizations.

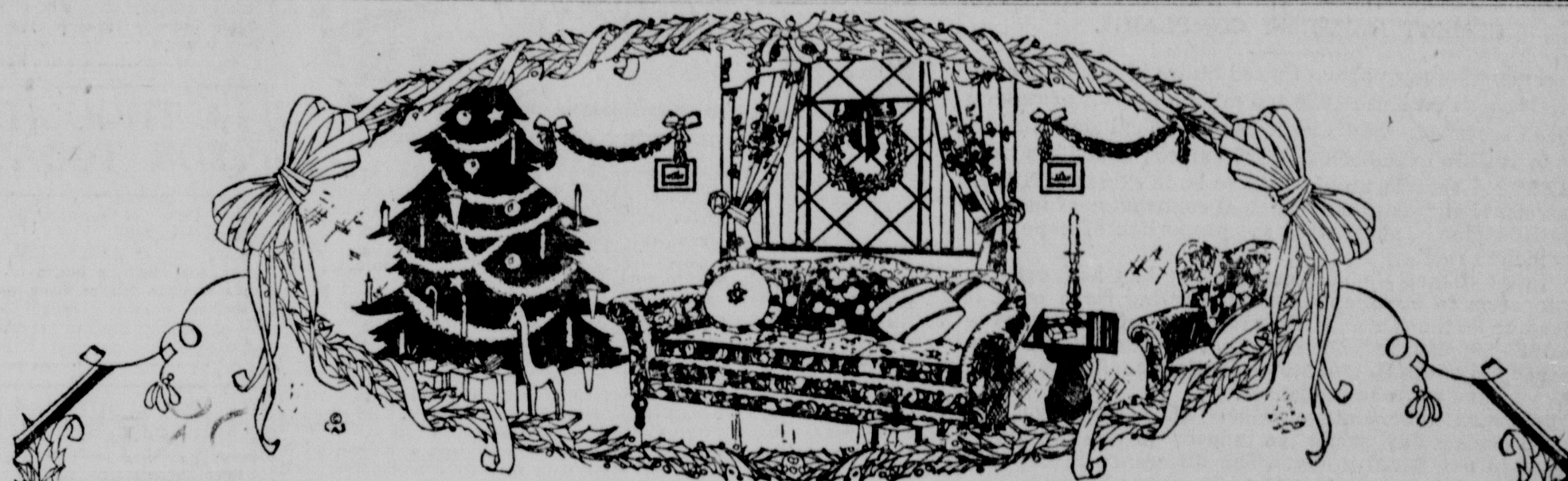
Not all social workers agree that petting is an unmitigated evil. Mrs. Eleanor Wembridge, Cleveland, believes that petting in moderation regarded in certain circles as a social asset.

"Whether they pet or not," she says, "college girls as a rule hesitate to have any one believe they do not. Since petting may lead to romance, most girls say they must pet or be left behind."

Dr. M. J. Exner, head of the American Social Hygiene Association, says "the essential harm of petting lies in the fact that it is a cultivation of a low order of love."

PRESBYTERIAN W. M. S. WILL MEET FRIDAY P. M.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church will meet Friday afternoon with Mrs. Willard Thompson, 518 East Second street. A good attendance is desired.

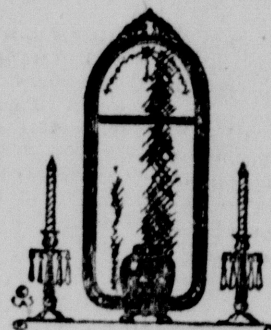


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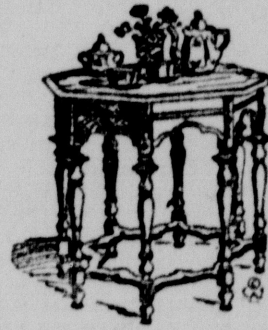
LET there be the true spirit of the Yuletide season expressed in your gift. Give furniture—something which welcomes you into a room and then makes you want to stay. This is the sort of gift which makes home, and will be the gift most cherished.

Perhaps an easy chair, occasional table or cheery lamp for color. If you prefer, candlesticks, replace accessories and other interesting brasures. Give something for home and you know you have helped Christmas joy last through the year.



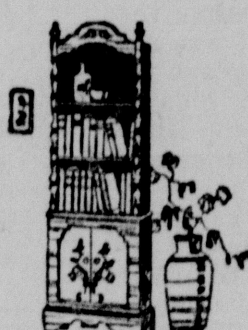
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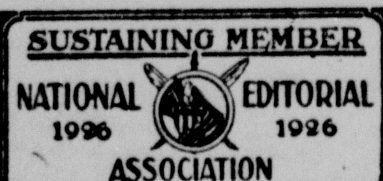
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CEMENT INDUSTRY COMPLAINS.

The cement industry of the United States is voicing a complaint. It says that since 1920 ten million barrels of cement have been imported. Statistics it has published show importations in 1922 to have been 323,823 barrels, in 1925 to have been 3,655,317 barrels, and in 1926 to be in excess of 5,000,000 barrels. Belgium is the principal contributor of imports. The statistics do not show what the proportion of imports is to the amount used.

The International Cement corporation has addressed a communication to President Coolidge, setting forth what it represents to be the facts. It fixes the value of imports since 1920 at \$29,000,000, and contends that the sum should have been expended in the United States for the benefit of cement, coal, power, and railroad industries.

It represents that cement is produced abroad by labor that is paid 90 cents a day, while the industry in this country is compelled to pay \$4.40 a day. The difference in the sale price here is said to range from 15 to 30 cents a barrel.

The communication to the president may be a hint for a protective tariff that will equalize the difference in price, but it does not say that. It emphasizes the fact that in some states the persons in charge of public works have specified United States cement for construction purposes.

It may be observed in the figures on imports given above that when the tariff law was made the 300,000 barrels imported may be considered inconsequential in comparison with more than 5,000,000 barrels imported this year. The situation has grown more serious for the American manufacturer each year.

The rule of protection of our industries is established. However, there are many manufactured products on the free list, and the manufacturers still are able to compete with the world. Any industry that is likely to be driven out of business by foreign competition should be given adequate protection. We do not know the situation of the cement industry in relation to that.

It is to be recalled in this connection that because of the war we were greatly underbuilt in this country. We know that the press for hard roads came immediately after the close of the conflict. In this state we recall that it was not until Governor Small threatened to build a state plant for manufacture of cement that he obtained the kind of bids he wanted on hard road construction. That was in 1920, when importations were small, probably because the industries had not been revived abroad.

Because of the shortage of buildings and other construction, building materials did not come in for the slump and depression that struck all other lines after the war. The public has paid and has paid well for its materials and its labor. Building trades have demanded and have received wages that other industries have refused to recognize in fixing their own, because they say they have been forced by the situation.

In the absence of figures showing what quantity of cement has been furnished in this country, it is impossible to tell just how badly the industry has been hurt. The market has been great.

WHO'S RIGHT?

Just as things are going along pretty well, thank you, somebody always puts a scratched needle on the phonograph. Sometimes this scratched needle takes the form of getting something into one's head that won't come out—such as the railroad slogan:

"Punch then, punch with care,
Punch the ticket of the passenger."

And if you rhyme "passenger" with "care," just get it out of your head, we dare you!

Or you see somebody on the street who knows you and you know him, too, but you can't recall his name. That puzzles you for a week or so.

Or somebody says: "Say, what was the name of that fellow who swam the channel?" You know perfectly well and start to answer real smartly, and the name is gone!

Now comes this one. Do you say, "Along this railroad's right of way IS produced two-thirds of the oats in the United States?"

Or does the grammarian say "Along this railroad's right of way ARE produced two-thirds of the oats in the world?"

One guess seems as good as another, for even those in the high places, grammatically speaking, can come to no conclusion when appealed to by the railroad.

The University of Chicago votes for "are." Northwestern University votes for "is." Harvard puts its okay on "is," with which Princeton, strangely enough, agrees, but Yale votes for "are."

So there you are—or there you is!

New York night clubs must close at 3 a. m. now. This ought to relieve the traffic congestion for the milkman.

Darrow called violation of the prohibition law a "civic duty." That should make the law iron-clad.

Count Salm testifies that after his marriage to Millicent Rogers he couldn't find work. Funny, we didn't see any mention of the scarcity of jobs in the Coolidge message.

One out of five saw the Sesquicentennial free, says a headline. So four people did pay to get in!

THE TINYMITES

BY HAL COCHRAN



READ THE STORY, THEN COLOR THE PICTURE

"Course there were dolls and dolls galore. Some on the shelves; some on the floor. In fact, the Tines saw more dolls than they had ever seen. Then came a tramping, far away, and someone shouted, 'Clear the way. A band of soldier dolls will soon be marching on the scene.'"

And sure enough, the soldiers came, with brightest colors all flame. They had on little soldier suits of red and white and blue. The Tines watched them march on by. Then Copy kinda heaved a sigh. "Oh, gee," said he, "I wish that I had been a soldier, too."

"Ha, ha," the others laughed aloud. "You'd likely like to feel real proud, but when it came to marching you would get tired out too quick." Then Copy answered, "Maybe so, but there is one thing that I know. If I had put on a soldier suit I'm sure I'd look real slick."

Just then old Santa Claus said,

"Boys, I've got to go and make some toys. Go right ahead and look around. There's plenty you can see. If anything goes wrong, just yell, and I'll come running here, pell mell. Now, don't forget, in trouble you can always call for me."

And then a mama dolly cried and Clowny rushed up to her side. Said he, "I wonder if it's safe to take it off the shelf." "Why, sure," said Scouty. "Gee, why not? Perhaps it'll help the doll a lot. Don't wait for Santa Claus to come, but rock the thing yourself."

Now Clowny was a helpful chap. He took the doll in his lap, and started singing lullabies, like any mother would. And, what a funny sight to see. The other Tines laughed in glee to see poor Clowny trying to make a crying doll be good.

(To Be Continued)

(The Tinymites get a surprise in the next story.)

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SAINT and SINNER

The chief of police laid an affectionate hand on Bob Hathaway's shoulder as he shook hands.

"Hello, Hathaway. Nasty business. I've known your uncle for twenty years. One of the finest men on God's green footstool."

"This is Faith Lane, Mr. Morehouse," Bob introduced Faith. "Farrel insisted that she come with us. She's naturally pretty much cut up and I'd appreciate it immensely if you'd get through with her as quickly as possible. Her mother's a very sick woman—heart trouble. Could you question Miss Lane now and let her go?"

"Sure, Hathaway. No need to keep the young lady. Mighty sorry I have to bother you, miss. But I thought maybe you could give us a line on your sister's whereabouts."

"Cherry didn't do it, Mr. Morehouse," Faith began eagerly, warmed by his friendliness. "Please don't concentrate on her and overlook clues

that would point to the real murderer."

"Reckon we won't overlook anything," Chief Morehouse grinned faintly. "Just, come in here, Miss Lane."

"Don't see why not, Bob. If you don't try any monkey business," the chief grinned.

When the door had closed upon them, Bob turned impulsively to the chief. "I want you to be the first to know, Morehouse, that Faith—Miss Lane—and I are engaged to be married. We were keeping it quiet until Uncle Ralph's wedding was over."

"Oh, Bob!" Faith clung to his arm, lifting grateful but tragic brown eyes to his. "Please don't let the—re-pecters know—about us. I don't want you to be mixed up in this dreadful business."

"I want to have a right to stand by you, in the eyes of the world," Bob told her firmly. "I'm going to see that all the papers carry the story of our engagement, and a statement from me that I'm standing by. I'd stake my life on the kid's innocence, Morehouse. And I want the world to know it."

"Better let him love his way, Miss Faith," Morehouse nodded. "Now, Miss Faith, just tell me in your own words what you know about this business."

Faith's voice quivering with her effort to control it, reviewed briefly the events of the evening and told

how, after the rest of the household had gone to the church, she had gone to Cherry's room to help her dress.

"I knocked but there was no answer, and then I tried the door. It was locked." She halted, swallowed a sob in her throat. "I thought maybe she was crying and didn't want me to see her—"

"Crying?" the chief pounced on the word. "Why should she be crying? Wasn't she happy? Had anyone coerced her into the marriage?"

"Oh, no," Faith protested, flushing painfully. "None of us wanted her to marry Mr. Cluny, because he was so much older, you know. But she was determined to go through with it. She liked Mr. Cluny—he was awfully good to her—and he was tired of being poor, and—"

"Tell him, Faith. It can't do any harm," Bob urged, in a low, compassionate voice.

"She was afraid, if she didn't marry Mr. Cluny—Christopher Wiley—would bully her into marrying him. She—she was infatuated with him, Mr. Morehouse, but she didn't want to marry him. She knew it would break mother's heart, and Dad had forbidden him the house. She thought if she married Mr. Cluny—"

"Just a minute, Miss Lane," Chief Morehouse rose and strode hurriedly to the door. "Oh, Farrel, send a couple of men of find Chris Wiley, and bring him here—if he's in town," he added significantly. "Now, Miss Lane—"

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TOMORROW: The police net is thrown out for Cherry Lane and Chris Wiley.

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

The price of wisdom is above rubies.—Job, 28:18.

The wise man is but a clever infant, spelling letters from a hieroglyphical, prophetic book, the lexicon of which lies in eternity.—T. Carlyle.

OHIO NEWS NOTES

Ohio—Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Dunn entertained a few friends at bridge Tuesday evening.

The Men's Bible Class of the M. P. Sunday school held their annual Father and Sons banquet in the church parlors Tuesday evening. After partaking of a delicious repast which was served by the Ladies Aid Society an excellent program was given.

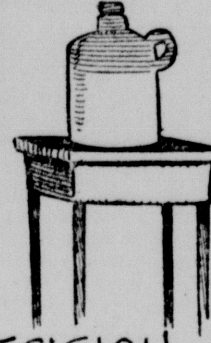
Frank F. Anderson went to Chicago Wednesday evening with a carload of cattle.

The Loyal Women's class of the M. P. Sunday school held a social meet-

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

BY AHERNS

"NOW THEN, ACCORDING TO LAW, THIS JUG OF CIDER PERPETRATED A CRIMINAL ACT THRU NATURAL FERMENTATION! HARR-RRUMF, I LAY ALL RESPONSIBILITY TO THE SEED THAT GREW INTO THE TREE, THAT PRODUCED THE APPLES, WHICH MADE THE CIDER! FURTHERMORE, I WOULD HAVE TO PLACE UNDER ARREST THE FARMER WHO PLANTED THE SEED, AND LIKEWISE THE SOIL OF HIS ORCHARD, TOGETHER WITH THE SUN AND RAIN, AS ACCOMPLICES!—SO I SENTENCE THE HARD CIDER TO THE SINK! THE DEFENDENT WILL BE HELD IN CUSTODY UNTIL CIGARS ARE PASSED AROUND, AHEM—CASE IS DISMISSED!"



GOLLY, TH' OL' BOY KNOWS HIS LAWR!—AN' I THOUGHT I MADE A PINCH, OH WELL, IT AIN'T LIKE AS IF I AIN'T TRYIN'!

THE DECISION

Howard Smith—J. W. C. J. Kramer—Treas. H. A. Jackson—Secy. V. R. Pomeroy—S. D. J. A. Saltzman—J. D. M. O. Lund—S. S. Merrill Jackson—J. S. E. P. Spooner—Chaplain. C. A. Smith—Marshal. J. L. Pomeroy—Tyler.

LAMBREY EEL

Bellingham, Wash. — A Puget Sound fisherman thought he had caught a baby sea serpent when his net disclosed a wriggling creature with a sheep-like head, glaring eyes, long teeth and a big back fin. But naturalists pronounced it a baby lamprey eel—one of the few ever found that far north.

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Mussolini Talk Feature of WGN Program This Eve

Chicago, Dec. 14—An address by Benito Mussolini to the American people and the Italians in America will be put on the air through station WGN, Chicago, tonight, beginning at 9:30, Central time. It will be broadcast from talking machine records, made by Il Duce personally, in Rome recently.

The address was recorded by the Italian associate of the Victor Talking Machine Company, arrangements for the recording having been made by the Chicago Tribune. The broadcast tonight will be the first time that the address has been heard in America.

The speech is entitled, "Message of H. E. Benito Mussolini to the American People and Italians in America." Special pressings of the record were rushed to the Chicago Tribune from Italy, immediately after the recording, in order that they might be available for tonight's broadcast.

RADIO RIALTO

BY THE AP.

Tonight's outstanding radio programs as compiled by The Chicago Daily News are:

6:35 p.m.—WGN (302.8) Chicago, Drake concert ensemble.

7 p.m.—WMBB (250) Chicago, Operatic music.

7:15 p.m.—WBZ (333.1), Springfield, Mass., Pro hockey.

7:30 p.m.—WIP (508.2) Philadelphia, Central High School Orchestra.

8 p.m.—WEAF (491.5) New York, Eveready hour, also by KSD and chain; KFAH (340.8) Lincoln, Neb., U. of Nebraska night.

8:15 p.m.—WBBM (226) Chicago, Modern masters of music.

8:30 p.m.—WMAQ (447.5) Chicago, Joan Young, soprano.

9 p.m.—WBAL (246) Baltimore, Municipal band.

9:15 p.m.—WMAQ (447.5) Chicago, Mme. Scott, contralto.

WEDNESDAY'S PROGRAM

5:00 P. M.

WGHP Detroit—Concert.

WGHS New York—Bedtime story.

WJF Detroit—Orchestra.

WTAM Cleveland—Orchestra.

WCAE Pittsburgh—Concert.

WEAF New York—Dinner music.

WIP Philadelphia—Variety.

WCX Detroit—Orchestra.

6:00 P. M.

WHAD Milwaukee—Markets; organ.

WGN Chicago—Variety.

KDKA Pittsburgh—Variety.

WGHS New York—Orchestra.

WLS Chicago—Variety.

CFCA Toronto—Orchestra.

WDAF Kansas City—"School of the Air".

WLW Cincinnati—Variety.

WMAQ Chicago—Organ; child's story.

WJF New York—Orchestra.

WCAE Pittsburgh—Concert.

WEAF New York—Synagogue services; United States Army Band. To WSAI, WTAM, WJAR, WRC.

WJF Detroit—Orchestra.

WHO Des Moines—Orchestra.

KYW Chicago—Bedtime story; concert.

7:00 P. M.

WDBO Winter Park, Fla.—Musical.

WGHP Detroit—Orchestra.

WCAU Philadelphia—Musical.

WSM Nashville—Concert; bedtime story.

WGN Chicago—Musical; feature.

KDKA Pittsburgh—Concert.

WAHG Richmond Hill, N. Y.—Arts' program.

KOA Denver—Stocks; concert.

WBZ Springfield, Mass.—Musical.

WLS Chicago—Variety.

WEBB Chicago—Musical.

WTAM Cleveland—Novelty.

WKRC Cincinnati—Book review.

Orchestra.

CNRO Ottawa—Orchestra.

WOS Jefferson City, Mo.—Variety.

WQJ Chicago—Instrumental.

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ABE MARTIN

"Social functions o' th' past an' present are not t' be mentioned in th' same breath," says Miss Fawn Lippincott, who met a gentleman at th' Queen Marie banquet who smelled like a piece o' furniture that wuz settin' too close t' a stove. A pedestrian allus looks in th' direction a car on th' wrong side o' th' street would be conin' from.

KNX Los Angeles—Orchestra.
WDAF Kansas City—Frolie.
WEBB Chicago—Orchestra.
KFI Los Angeles—Dance music.
KFO San Francisco—Orchestra.
KFI Los Angeles—Variety.
KGW Portland, Ore.—Concert.
CNRE Edmonton—Old-time music.

Believes Folk Play's Instrument of Peace

New York—(AP)—Dramatics offer an opportunity for better international understanding, believes Miss Olga Schrottky, secretary of plays and pageants for the Girl Scouts.

Miss Schrottky plans all sorts of dramatic productions for girls from 12 to 18 years old of every nationality throughout the country. Her observations are drawn from experience in interpreting inter-racial and folk customs with the help of people of the different nationalities.

"Sympathetic imagination of the other person's environment creates understanding," she says. "This is quite as true of countries as of people. Until we are able to visualize the home-settings of those who live in other countries or come from other countries, we will not be able to understand them or to work with them. 'When we learn to play with those from other countries and to understand their playtime moods and to visualize them in their homes, there will be little chance for war.'"

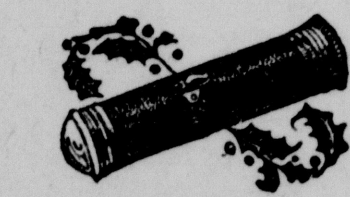
CURSES, OUTDONE!

Two motorists who detested each other met in a narrow alley just large enough for one car to pass. One said in a bullying voice: "I never give way for a fool!" Whereupon the other reversed his car and replied genty: "But I always do. Go past me, my friend."—Ule Mele, Paris.

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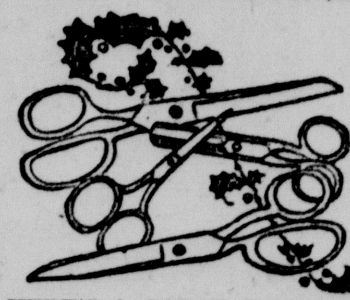


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Illinois Trudeau Society to Meet

Peoria, Ill.—(AP)—Members of the Illinois Trudeau Society, organized a year ago for the scientific study of tuberculosis and closely allied subjects, will meet here Dec. 16 at the invitation of the Peoria City Medical Society. Tuberculosis specialists of several states will present papers at this time.

Former president Dr. Robert H. Hayes of the Chicago Tuberculosis Society will read a paper on "Treatment of Tuberculosis," and Dr. H. G. Ahrens, medical director of the Macdon County Tuberculosis Sanatorium, will discuss the paper.

Dr. Clarence L. Wheaton, director of dispensaries of the Chicago Municipal Tuberculosis sanatorium, Dr. J. J. Singer, of St. Louis, Dr. Stuart Pritchard of Battle Creek, Mich., Dr. N. G. Gilbert, associate professor of Medicine of Northwestern University Medical School; Dr. E. P. Sloan of Bloomington, former president of the Illinois State Medical Society and Dr. Carl A. Hedblom, dean of Surgery, medical department of the University of Illinois, Chicago, will also present papers. Discussions will be held by Dr. Perry Goodwin, medical director of St. Francis Hospital at Peoria, Dr. Herman H. Cole, of Springfield, Dr. A. E. Hubbard, medical director of the Peoria Municipal Tuberculosis Sanatorium, and Dr. D. D. Munroe, medical director of the Madison County Tuberculosis sanatorium.

At the evening meeting Dr. J. R. Neal, of Springfield, chairman of the legislative committee of the Illinois State Medical Society, will speak on "The Relation of the Physician to the Public Health," and Dr. Alfred Henry, Indianapolis, Ind., director of the National Tuberculosis Association, will talk on "The Importance of Diagnosis in the reduction of Tuberculosis Mortality."



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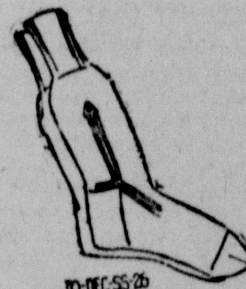
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CONGRESS' PRIZE MESS IS GERMAN WAR CLAIMS NOW

Leaders Hopeful They
Can Find Way Out
of Situation

Washington, (AP)—Congress is hardened to problems which are knotty and complex by nature and also to those which become so by discussion. But the prize mess of the year is to be found in the German war claims.

The House Ways and Means committee is hoping to find something to recommend and it is hoped that before the present Congress dies next March a bill may be passed making it possible to close up the accounts.

American citizens have a bill against Germany for death, injuries and property losses sustained during the World War. Approximately 300 million dollars worth of German private property rests in possession of the Alien Property Custodian. The bulk is composed of bank deposits, stocks, bonds, mortgages, real estate, factories and legacies to German nationals whose payments have been withheld pending the settlement of awards by the Mixed Claims Commission to American nationals.

An official side. On the official side the American government is beholden to German nationals for ships seized in American ports when the United States entered the war, for German radio stations operating on American territory, and for certain patents seized under the trading with the Enemy Act, which were turned over to the Army and Navy Departments. The value of these German private claims against the American government has not yet been fixed. They will be made the subject of an adjudication independent of the procedure adopted by the Mixed Claims Commission in determining the awards to American claimants.

As a result of prolonged hearings before the Ways and Means Committee it is believed that the way has been paved for an equitable solution to protect alike the interests of American claimants and the rights of German nationals.

\$140,000,000 Awarded. American nationals already have been awarded \$140,000,000 while claims still awaiting adjudication will bring the final total up to \$190,000,000. The awards bear five percent interest. Indemnification for deaths and personal injuries to the amount of \$3,600,000 has been awarded American claimants.

The heaviest reimbursement to American nationals is that awarded to American underwriters for losses paid by them on ships and cargoes destroyed by German submarines. It amounts to roughly \$50,000,000, of which \$14,000,000 represents interest calculated up to January 1, 1927. American industrial plants, warehouses, merchandise stocks which were destroyed or seized by German military authorities in the war area.

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constitute some of the numerous other items in the catalogue of American claims.

The original value of German private property seized by the United States is estimated by German officials as exceeding \$500,000,000. Large parts of these assets have been released by the Alien Property Custodian, either because they were held illegally or belonged to neutrals, or residents in former German territory which was lost to Germany through the Treaty of Versailles.

Claims For Many Ships. One of the largest claims held against the American government by German nationals is that for about 100 German ships seized in American ports. They were commercial vessels with an approximate gross tonnage of 600,000. In a suit brought before the United States Court of Claims the German owners placed the value of the fleet at approximately \$300,000,000. Among the vessels were the pick of the North German Lloyd and Hamburg-American passenger fleet. The value of the German radio station at Sayville, Long Island, and of various German patents taken by the American government also await adjudication.

There is an apparent desire on the part both of counsel for American claimants and German nationals to show a mutually accommodating attitude in order to bring about speedy settlement.

It is now believed that with the aid of a Congressional appropriation of \$100,000,000 to which would be added \$26,000,000 unallocated interest accruing from German private property, and \$24,000,000 to be credited the United States on September 1, 1927, on account of its share of German reparations under the Dawes plan, a sufficient fund would be made available to dispose of all of the awards to American nationals under \$100,000. They constitute ninety-six percent of the total number of American claims against Germany.

POLO NEWS NOTES

Polo—Sargis Claus put in his appearance Saturday afternoon on Main street, giving gifts to the kiddies.

Miss Emma Zollinger was a Freeport visitor Thursday.

Mrs. W. Carl Sattre of Springfield, Ohio, came Tuesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hersch.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Bos of Rosk Island spent Tuesday here with the latter's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Kroener.

Miss Honora Kramer who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kramer, returned to Chicago, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Yates left Saturday evening for Santa Monica, Cal., where they will spend the winter. They were accompanied to Dixon by their son, Charles Yates.

Mrs. Elias Pafer was a business visitor in Freeport Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. S. D. Houston left last week Thursday for Chicago where

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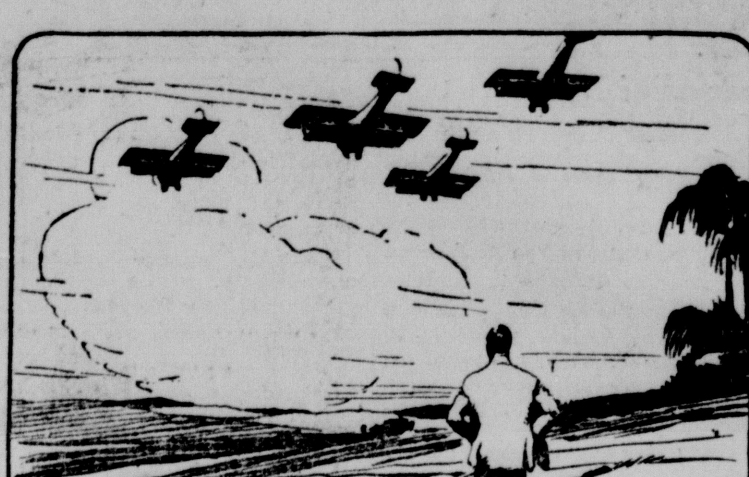
Jan. 5—William K. Hale, ranchman, was arrested in Oklahoma following violent deaths among the Osage Indians.



Jan. 10—Ninety-one men were killed by an explosion in the Degnan-McConnell coal mine near Wilburton, Okla.



Jan. 10—Mexican bandits held up a passenger train and killed 50 passengers and soldiers who were acting as guards.



Jan. 22—Four Spanish flyers hopped off on flight to Buenos Aires and landed at Las Palmas, making 817 miles in eight hours.

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they visited for several days and from there they left for Los Angeles, California, where they will spend the winter.

Luke Stuart of Freeport spent Wednesday in Polo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Strouss of Tampico were Polo visitors Sunday.

Mrs. James Hawkins, Mrs. Annie Osterlind and J. A. Long spent Thursday in Freeport.

Ex-sheriff and M. J. Sheard Dodson came to Polo Thursday and are staying with the former's brother, Thomas Dodson, and wife until their new home is completed.

The Rebekah Past Noble Grands club held their regular monthly meeting Wednesday afternoon at the home of Miss Ella Holly. The program was of Christmas stories by Mrs. Olive Tavenner. After the meeting a scrumptious supper and a Christmas grab bag was enjoyed. The afternoon and evening was spent in doing fancy work.

Marco Polo's Rebekah Lodge will enjoy a scrumptious supper at 6:30 o'clock, followed by an entertainment Thursday evening, Dec. 16th. Members of the local Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and their families are invited to attend.

Samuel Landis and Mrs. Wilford Smith drove to Chicago Saturday morning bringing the latter's husband home with them in the evening.

Guy Barnhart of Sterling was a recent visitor in the Earl Grant home.

Mrs. David Springer is suffering from an attack of inflammatory rheumatism and is under the care of a physician.

The Lutheran Sunday school had their election of officers for the ensuing year as follows:

Superintendent—Lloyd Knipp's. Asst. Supt.—Erlitt J. Diehl. Treasurer—George W. Miller. Secretary—George Shoen.

Asst. Secretary—Joe Davis. Pianist—Pauline Bomberger. Asst. Pianist—Lola Donaldson.

Choister—Lois Lord Reedy. Asst. Choister—Erlitt J. Diehl. Librarian—Jennie Hunt.

1st Asst. Librarian—Mary Mullen. 2nd Asst. Librarian—Mary Elizabeth Bair.

The remains of Jefferson Yeakle who was killed in an automobile accident Thursday are expected to arrive here Tuesday. Funeral services will be held at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon at the Evangelical church. Interment will be made in the Fairmount cemetery.

Mrs. Anna Murry and son Harry, left Friday for St. Louis, Missouri, where they will spend the winter.

Fred Gaylor and Joe Enzler were business visitors in Freeport the first of the week.

Peter Cover who has been ill for the last year but lately was able to get around in the house, fell Thursday while rising from his chair and injured himself and has laid in a stupor most of the time since.

Frank Kilday fell on the ice at his home Saturday and broke his ankle bone in one of his legs.—W.

HALDANE

Haldane—Mrs. Fred Appel was a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Michaels, Sr., and other relatives in Mt. Morris last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bulsaker and sons were entertained Monday evening at the home of the Ludwig brothers and sisters.

"Green's Orientals" of Freeport sponsored a dance which was held last Wednesday night at the town hall.

A son, William David, was born Sunday, Dec. 5 to Mr. and Mrs. Mel-

vin Smith, who reside in one of Ray Hedrick's tenant houses.

Miss Mabel Kitzmiller was a Freeport shopper one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Holsinger and son left Freeport Friday evening for their former home at Gordon, Neb.

Mr. and Mrs. Holsinger spent several weeks here at the home of his grandfather, George Kitzmiller before moving to Mt. Morris where Mr. Holsinger is employed as a barber at the Recreation building.

Miss Jennie Ireland accompanied Mr. and Mrs. John Stuck of Polo to Freeport Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Rubie and daughter Mae motored to Dixon last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brumbaugh were Thursday night guests at the Fred Appel home.

Ruth Good of Polo came last Wednesday for an indefinite stay at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Good.

Mary Garman spent Wednesday evening with Mrs. Sam Twigg.

O. O. Hedrick was a business caller in Freeport Thursday.

Hale Scott of Polo was in town Saturday morning where he posted notices of the trustee's sale of real estate of the estate of Charles E. Brantner bankrupt which will be held Dec. 17.

Miss Earl Buss spent Saturday evening with Mrs. Edwin Ackerman.

Supervisor Blair of Adeline was a caller here last week while en route to Oregon.

Henry Alberts spent Sunday with the Chris Bulsaker family.

Miss Helen McKee of Brookville spent Friday and Saturday with her friend Miss Irma Rowland. Friday evening they attended the play "The Charm School," which was given by

the Junior class of the Polo Community high school.

Misses Margaret and Mary Anna Binkley were Sunday guests of Misses Leona and Marian Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Rowland assisted with the butchering at C. M. Good's Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Urban H. Greenfield and daughter Emma were Saturday callers in Polo.

Leonard Kyker who has spent the past year in Pennsylvania is visiting his sister, Mrs. Hunter Rubie for a couple of weeks before returning to his home at Jonesboro, Tenn.

George Doyle and family from near Mt. Morris were Sunday company at the home of his brother, Guy Doyle.

Mr. and Mrs. Cramer Binkley and family were entertained Saturday at the Jesse Osbaugh home.

S. E. Hertz of Freeport who is water works foreman in charge of the water department on this division of the I. C. has spent several days here where he is overseeing the laying of a pipe line from the local pumping plant to the stockyards, an improvement which will be very much appreciated by local shippers.

Haldane and vicinity was well represented in Polo Saturday afternoon when jolly old Santa Claus arrived via auto truck and distributed apples and oranges to the children.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Harmon spent

Friday evening at the J. M. Rowland home.

The Haldane school children were busy selling their quota of Christmas seals last week. They are also preparing a Christmas program which they expect to present to the public in the hall Friday evening, Dec. 24.

Admission 15c. Ladies are requested to bring cakes, pie or candy.

Mrs. Lester Poper and son Richard of Freeport visited part of last week with her parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gaffin and Miss Gussie Kearns of Leaf River were Saturday afternoon company of Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Hedrick.

Harold Good of Dixon spent Sunday at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Amos Rowland.

Mrs. Amelia Bohner left Sunday for Byron where she will spend the winter at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wilbur Reed.

Mrs. O. O. Hedrick received a letter Monday morning from her sister, Mrs. Clarence Drummond of Ashton, telling of their safe arrival in Florida last week. Monday where they were guests of Senator and Mrs. William Hodges at Tallahassee, Fla. Mr. Hodges was born and raised on a farm in the northeast part of Ashton.

The organ in Liverpool cathedral is the largest in the world, having five rows of keys and 10,934 pipes.

PUPILS' JEWELS
London—Violet Burton, 7, used to go to school at West Coker. One day her father gave her a silver bracelet. Teacher told her to take it off. Father told Violet to wear it. The next day Violet was sent home. Father bought her a gold bracelet and took her to school himself. Meanwhile the school board met and decided that no child wearing bracelets or similar adornments could be admitted. The affair finally reached the Ministry of Education which upheld the school officials.

China whistles are being used by some railroads to eliminate the harsh effect of locomotive whistles.

Cured His Rupture
I was badly ruptured while lifting a trunk several years ago. Doctors said my only hope of cure was an operation. Trusses did me no good. Finally I got hold of something that quickly and completely cured me. Years have passed and the rupture has never returned although I am doing hard work as a carpenter. There was no operation, no lost time, no trouble. I have nothing to sell, but will give full information about how you may find a complete cure without operation, if you write to me, Eugene M. Pullen, Carpenter, 170 N. Marcellus Avenue, Manassas, N. J. Better cut out this notice and show it to any others who are ruptured—you may save a life or at least stop the misery of rupture and the worry and danger of an operation.

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Ladies', White or Colored, 3 in a box, at 50c \$1.00 and \$1.25

Single 'kerchiefs, some White with a little color, or others in Solid Colors, at 5c to \$1.25

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Jan. 27—Senate voted to join World Court with reservation that United States should assume no obligations under league.



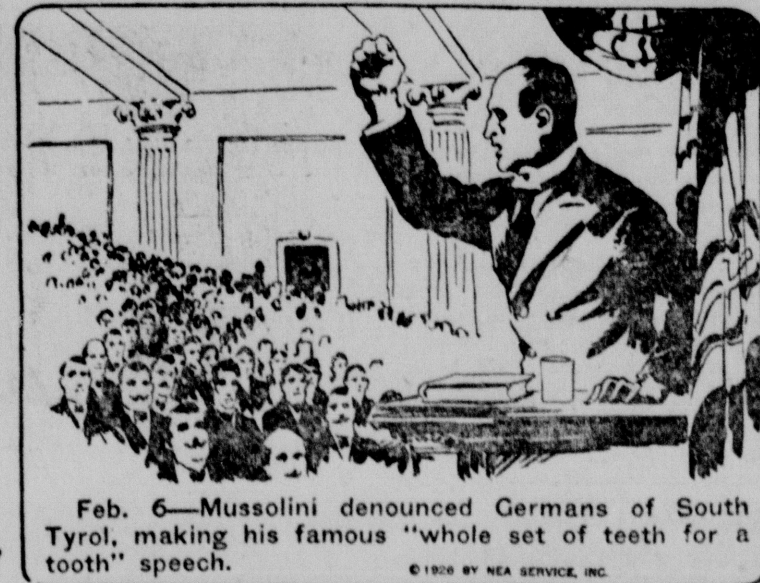
Jan. 29—Thirty-eight men were killed by an explosion in Mossboro mine, near Helena, Alabama.



Feb. 4—A severe snow storm swept New England and North Atlantic coast, causing scores of deaths.

Sketches by Kroesen

Synopsis by Braucher



Feb. 6—Mussolini denounced Germans of South Tyrol, making his famous "whole set of teeth for a tooth" speech.

BY THE BEARD
MAGISTRATE (to accused): If your conscience is as black as your beard it must be in a very bad way.
ACCUSED: Well, if we are going by beards you have no conscience at all.—Der Brummer, Berlin.

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Tomorrow evening will see employees of the Brown Shoe Co. in action at the local "Y." Commencing at 7 o'clock Dean Hoff's team will meet Roy Flessner's quintet in the bowling alleys, while at 7:30 the Browns will meet the Centrals in a basketball game. Immediately following these games boxing and wrestling will be the order of the day, with Harold Mannon, one of the employees of the company, in charge. Physical Director Yohn has also prepared a number of novel stunts which will be worked in at different times during the evening.

Mr. Libby, Superintendent of the company, will give a short address to the employees, to be followed by Dr. K. F. Kallenburg, Dr. Kallenburg is Physical Director for the Central States and the Committee in charge is most fortunate to secure him for a short talk tomorrow evening.

The line-up for bowling and basketball is as follows:

BOWLING

Dean Hoff's Team	Roy Glessner's Team
C. Burgard	H. Kime
A. Sykes	W. Lowery
E. Jones	J. Frazer
D. Hoff	R. Glessner

BASKETBALL

Browns	Centrals
D. Welch	N. Weatherford
C. Reisinger	H. Spencer
J. Ryan	C. Nehring
R. Freed	F. Galt
C. Merrol	L. Smith
M. Nagle	H. Nehring
C. Burgard	H. Kime

Bowling Tournament Will End this Week

This is the last week in the bowling tournament and even yet the winners of the loving cup are not fully decided. The schedules have been somewhat changed this week and will be played off as follows:

Tuesday—Maple Cutters vs Reynolds Wire East.

Thursday—Brown Shoe Co. vs Christian Church.

Friday—Reynolds Wire East vs I. N. U. Co.

It is likely that Friday of this week the bowling teams in the tournament will meet for a supper at the "Y" at 6:30, at which time the cup will be presented to the winning team and plans drawn for the next tournament which will have 10 teams instead of 8.

Good Crowd on Floor

Despite Bitter Cold

Did someone say it was too cold to go out for classes Monday night? Some did, but others were there on the floor. The windows of the gym were white with frost but we did not know it was cold. We did our work and had a fine time. And really, folks, we were much happier and no doubt much warmer by our generating heat than that furnace or oil-burner at home could have made us.

Christmas is a busy time, a real strain; let's keep physically fit that we may enjoy the season's holidays to the fullest. Let's keep our tanks full. Yes?

Band Boys to Rehearse

Their Christmas Concert

The Boys' Band will hold their regular practice tomorrow evening at 7:30. Boys are all asked to be in their places on time as the time is short and every practice is necessary for the concert to be played at the State Colony during the Christmas season.

OBITUARY

MRS. S. E. BENJAMIN.

(Contributed.)

Mrs. Sabina Elizabeth Benjamin of 401 Logan avenue, widow of John Benjamin, departed from life here yesterday morning, after an invalid condition covering thirteen years or more, aged 74 years, 1 month, 21 days. She was born in Richmond, Va., but lived most of her life in this community. Mr. Benjamin died about fifteen years ago.

She was the mother of ten children, three of whom are dead: Mrs. Delphine Reynolds, Josephine and Gladys. The seven living are: Mrs. Lena Wallace, Dixon; Mrs. Irene Conroy, Chicago; Mrs. Clara Bales, Cedar Rapids; Mrs. Ruth Page, Grand Detour; A. J. Benjamin, Cedar Rapids; R. T. Benjamin and Mrs. Bernice Spoff, Dixon. Children of these, numbering seven, also mourn the loss of their grandmother. Mrs. Benjamin was a member of Dixon Christian church, having united

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MARY A. O'MALLEY

(Contributed)

Mary A. O'Malley was born June 2, 1867 on a farm in Woosung, Ill., and lived in that vicinity for a number of years, then lived in Sterling until she moved to Dixon. Her parents Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Daley were born in Ireland. She was married 35 years ago to Michael O'Malley of Rochelle, who preceded her in death 13 years ago. To them a family of two children were born, both of whom preceded her in death several years ago. From the time of the death of her husband, she lived alone at her home on Jackson avenue until August, 1926, at which time she sold her property and lived with Mrs. Mary Valle, a sister-in-law at 410 Jackson avenue. She spent about four weeks of that time with her nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. James Foster of Sterling, returning to Dixon Nov. 21, and since that time had been in failing health and in a melancholy condition, gradually growing worse until she took her life on Dec. 11, 1926 by drowning in Rock River. Funeral services will be held at the home of Mrs. Mary Valle, 410 Jackson avenue Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock and from St. Patrick's Catholic church at 9:30, Rev. Father Foley officiating.

LIFE—I AM READY

(From the Kansas City Star)

Life—I am ready.
My tears are spent;
Grief is so futile,
So vain lament.
Life—I am ready;
Come whatever will;
I have met the Comforter,
Out upon the hill.

Out in the clean winds
His voice I heard.
Sorrow makes one more keen
To catch His word.
"Let not your heart be troubled!"
The winds breathed it low,
And now I understand—
And now I know!

Life—I am ready.
Not baffled and dismayed,
I met Him on the highest hill.
No more am I afraid.
A heart for any fate is mine,
There were thorn prints on His brow!
And nail scars on His tender hands!
Life—I am ready now.
—Alma Leggett Lonsdale

INDEED SHE IS

SHE: Just think, I didn't learn to speak until I was four.
HE: Oh, well, you are making up for it now, aren't you?—Nagels Lustige Welt, Berlin.

ADVERTISE IN THE DIXON TELEGRAPH.

Food Suggestions for Christmas Gifts From Marth

LEE COUNTY'S LEADING GROCER.

GRACE RUSH—Home-made assortment, put up in "Old Fashioned Christmas Box." Just the thing for son or daughter at college.

HEINZ FANCY PICNIC BASKET—Brim full of the finest foods. Mother would highly appreciate one.

BEECHNUT LITHOGRAPHED CAKE TIN—Filled with Jellies, Confections and Canned Goods.

FANCY BASKET OF YOUR CHOICE—Packed by us with anything you desire in it and any price you wish to pay.

A 3 or 5-lb. Tin of Richelieu or Monarch Coffee.

A 49-lb. Sack of Made-Rite Flour.

One Dozen Cans of Richelieu Canned Foods.

5-lb. Holly Box of Chocolate Candy or Marshmallows.

1-lb. Box of Cherries, Chocolates or Fruit and Nut Candy.

Fancy Home-made Fruit Cake, Angel Food, Nut or Devil's Food.

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We invite you in to look over our displays and we will be pleased to help you by suggestions.

Our extensive delivery service is at your disposal.

DIXON GROCERY & MARKET

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Kewanee Fair to Quit: Assn. Broke

Kewanee—Kewanee fair, for forty-two years one of the prominent district expositions of the state, has ceased to function. At a meeting of the stockholders there was not a dissenting vote when George A. Anthony, veteran member of the board, offered a motion to discontinue the fair.

A report of the treasurer, C. W. Peterson, showed that \$2000 was outstanding in bills with no money available to meet them. It further showed that \$750 interest on the mortgage of \$25,000 was due December 1 without funds to meet it.

Infant Lost Eye in

Fall Upon a Bottle

When Lorenz Muller, 18 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe P. Muller of Rockford fell on a broken glass bottle in the basement at his home Tuesday morning, his left eye was so severely cut that physicians were compelled to remove the optic at Rockford hospital.

Engraved Calling Cards, the latest thing in style and size. B. F. Shaw Printing Co.

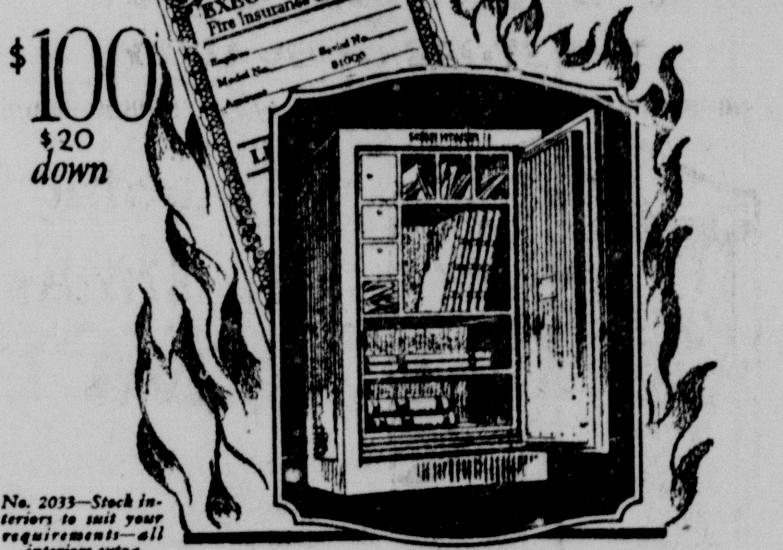
POSTAL WORKERS NAME OFFICERS AT BIG MEETING

Charles Swim of Dixon Chosen President of Association

Clerk Charles Swim of Dixon was elected president of the Northern Illinois Postal Workers Association at the annual meeting of the association held at Forreston Saturday evening. Other officers elected were carrier Mallinay of Polo, vice president; Assistant Postmaster Wolfe of Mount Morris, secretary; Postmaster W. A. Foster of Steward, treasurer. Postmaster Harold Ward of Sterling, who was one of the organizers of the association, retired after having served two years. The by-laws of the association now read that no person shall be elected president to succeed himself, so President Ward will have the distinction of being the only two-term president of the association.

Dixon was awarded the next meeting.

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Closing Out Sale

I will sell at public auction on my farm 3 miles south of Franklin Grove and six miles north of Amboy on main hard road, known as the William Herwig farm,

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1926

the following described property to-wit:

4—HEAD OF HORSES—4
1—PONY—1

Consisting of one grey mare 4 years old, one grey mare 12 years old; one grey mare 12 years old; one yearling colt, one 12-year old pony family broke to ride or drive.

16—HEAD OF CATTLE—16

Consisting of 5 milk cows, 3 fresh and 2 heavy springers; two 2-year-old heifers; 5 spring calves; 4 veal calves and one bull (short horn pure bred, year old); mostly all Holsteins and all T. B. tested.

75—HEAD OF HOGS—75

Consisting of 65 fall pigs and 10 brood sows. These are Poland China Hogs

62—HEAD OF SHEEP—62

Consisting of 60 breeding ewes and 2 bucks

FARM MACHINERY

One Dain hay loader; McCormick 8-foot binder; McCormick corn binder; McCormick mower; Hays corn planter; two 2-row Mandota towers; 2 single row towers; Moline spreader; Rock Island gang plow; John Deere sulky plow; walking plow; 4 section drag; nine foot Osborne disc; 7 foot Osborne disc; end gate seeder; drag cart; 2 triple box wagon; new wagon box; hay rack and truck wagon; top buggy; spring wagon; bob sled; one cutter; Sandwich corn elevator; hand corn sheller; 3 sets work harness; 1 set double driving harness; single harness; fly nets; collars; 160 rods 27-inch woven wire fence; 4 bee hives; 1 1/2 horse power engine; laundry stove; 50-gallon kerosene drum; 60 gallon gasoline drum; Delaval cream separator; grindstone; fanning mill; hay fork; 120 foot hay rope; and other things too numerous to mention.

CHICKENS AND GESE. 100 BUSHELS BARLEY SEED.

Sale starts at 10:00 a. m.

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TERMS—All sums under \$10 cash; over this amount 7% for one year on good bankable notes. No property removed until settled for.

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Owner

F. D. KELLEY, Auctioneer.

LEROY J. MILLER, Clerk

SPORTS of all SORTS

ICE HOCKEY IS TAKING HOLD IN CHICAGO SPORTS

Fastest Game of 'em All Winning Many Friends There

Chicago—(AP)—Ice hockey, "the fastest game of them all," imported from its frost bitten habitat under the eaves of the continent, is the latest experiment in Chicago, and the game seems to have taken hold. Performing on the home made ice at the historic Coliseum building here, the sport as played by the best of the professional puck chasers has excited the interest of Chicagoans, who march to the box office in large numbers to see the wizards of the steel blades and swinging clubs.

Both of the major hockey leagues are represented by Chicago teams, the Blackhawks in the National league, and the Cardinals holding up the honors of the American League.

The pastime being new to the vast majority of Chicago sport enthusiasts, spectators were not quite familiar with the rules and regulations but they were not long in picking up the fine points of the game. Civic pride quickly asserted itself, and the home players found themselves cheered on much in the same manner that the spectators support the local baseball team, although the quick action of hockey brought about more intense and sustained excitement.

Penalties inflicted by the referee, whereby one team is deprived of the services of a player or players, when a foul is committed, were puzzling at first, but the crowds were quick to see the point. The goal tender, equipped as he is with huge pads on his legs resembling overstuffed dayenports, together with his other protective armour, and his club with a blade as large as an oar, intrigued the interest of the fans.

In several games, the seating arrangements were not sufficient and extra seats were moved into place, to accommodate the overflow who went wild over the swift action, and the daring work of the players endeavoring to drive the puck past the goal tender.

Most of the Chicago players are Canadians, and have had the benefit of the northern environment which means that they know hockey as the Americans know baseball. In Canada the youngsters take to the game as soon as they can manage a pair of skates and handle the club.

"Don't Shoot" Ruling Hurts Train Hunting

Anchorage, Alaska—(AP)—The old battle-cries has been changed to "don't shoot until the train stops" in the case of the Alaska railroad.

Despite the annual killing of caribou, the large herds which gather along the Alaska railroad in central Alaska every fall have shown no decreases in numbers. Trappers formerly bagged animals on the up journey and picked them up on the return.

This has now been stopped by a rule against shooting from the train.

Train crews now must take advantage of waiting at a siding to pick up a fat yearling to augment the winter meat supply.

Reports from the Kenai peninsula indicate that moose are as thick as domestic cattle on the prairie ranges of the States. Residents of the peninsula say the animals could be domesticated like reindeer by simply rounding up the young stock, branding it and allowing it to feed on the ample ranges.

Man-to-Man Now the Best Defense

Madison, Wis.—The five man defense in basketball, linked for years with the short passing game of the Wisconsin team, is going the way of knee guards.

Instead of using the "spread formation" on the hard court, the Badger players this year will adopt the man-to-man defense, already in use by the majority of Big Ten teams. The former system was developed to a high degree of perfection by Dr. Walter Meanwell, coach, but because of the "pony" snipers making up the personnel of the team it has been deemed advisable to shift tactics.

Long range goal shooters and heavy offense are factors in bringing about the change, according to Dr. Meanwell. With the men stationary on the floor it is easier for the opposition to crash through for close-in shots. In case such movements are blocked, the opposing team can resort to the lengthy heaves while the defensive team remains flatfooted.

Man-to-man defense calls for a roving game, following the ball and a faster defense.

Four Sets of Brothers Make Up College Team

Fremont, Neb.—(AP)—Four sets of brothers, with a little help at left guard, left halfback and fullback, composed the Midland College football team. Three of the pairs were regulars and the other pair broke into the lineup frequently. Two of the pairs played side by side in the line, while a third composed the regular center-quarterback combination.

George and Henry Monnich held down the left wing of the forward wall, while John and Paul Cunningham were on the right flank. Loren and Wallace Graham were at center and quarterback. Hans Koolen played right guard while brother Martin played right half.

Fights Last Night

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
New York—Maxey Rosenbloom, New York, defeated K. O. Phil Kaplan, New York (10); Alf Mancini and Farmer Joe Cooper, Indiana, drew (10); Babe Herman, New York beat Eddie Anderson, Wyoming (10); Teddy Baldock, England, won a technical knockout over Joe Clifford, New York (2); Jack Bernstein, Yonkers, N. Y., defeated Ray Miller, Chicago (12).

Boston—Al Mello, Lowell, beat Jack Zivic, Pittsburgh, (10).

Jersey City, N. J.—Phil McGraw, Detroit, knocked out Johnny Rocco,

New Rochelle (4); Sid Barbarian, Detroit, beat Billy White, Jersey City (10).

Newark, N. J.—Russie Leroy, Fargo, N. D., defeated Al Conway, Philadelphia, (10).

Hartford, Conn.—Pat McCarthy, Boston, won from Harry Persson, Sweden (12).

Buffalo, N. Y.—Jimmy Slattery, Buffalo, beat Mike Wallace, Cleveland (10).

Trenton, N. J.—Eddie O'Dowd, Columbus, beat Jimmy Reed, Columbus (10).

Bradley Institute's Prospects are Gloomy

Peoria, Ill.—(AP)—Prospects for another championship basketball outfit at Bradley Institute, which opened its schedule last Saturday against the University of Illinois at Champaign, are gloomy. Graduation, departure from school, and ineligibility have made big inroads on court material. Only three regulars remain from last year.

Bradley will play De Pauw at Greencastle, Ind., tomorrow. On this year's squad, Captain Verne Poland has been holding down one of the forward posts.

Poland is Bradley's offensive threat. Al DeCramer, last year's captain and Louis Becker remain at the guard posts. Then Gaylord Woltzen, a reserve center and Merle Ririe, forward, also have letters for competition last season. Other promising candidates include Clyde Meeske, reserve forward from last year, Sam Zimmerman, a guard, Chester Lehr, forward, Chapman, a forward, Walser a guard. Other squad members are: Carlson, Elness, Beckstrom, Metzger, Krubhoff.

Chicago Golf Club is Seeking World's Tourney

Chicago, Dec. 14—(AP)—Olympia Fields, the world's largest golf club wants to be host to a world's championship golf tournament.

A representative of the club which will entertain the western open in 1927, told the Chicago district golf association that Olympia Fields was ready to offer \$20,000 in prizes for a championship event, provided it was promoted by an organization such as the western golf association or the district body.

Twenty thousand dollars is the largest cash prize ever offered for golf play. Such a tourney, it was believed, would attract from 5 to 10 of the leading golfers of England, France and other nations, eclipsing all other events of its kind.

The proposal was laid aside for later consideration.

Wants to Extend Limit of Fights to 15 Rounds

Chicago, Dec. 14—(AP)—An amendment to the Illinois boxing law to per-



mit bouts to go fifteen rounds instead of the ten now specified, will be presented to the legislature next month by State Senator Hughes of Chicago, who was active in the passing of the law which permitted legalized boxing to return last spring.

It is his contention that most regular fighters can coast through ten rounds, but they would have to be in the best physical condition to last over the longer route and he believes the change will benefit boxing in Illinois.

But One Team in A. L. Played All Games

Chicago, Dec. 14—(AP)—Baseball this year suffered from the adverse weather which affected football in 1925, the annual report of President B. B. Johnson to the American League directors, here today showed. Twelve of the profitable Saturday and Sunday dates were rained out, and only one club, Detroit, completed its full schedule. The Tigers squeezed in three additional games, too, to play off ties. Ten ties remained on the schedule when the season closed.

The latter part of the season was the worst, the eastern trip of the western clubs resulting in 15 postponed games. Five of them were played off in the east, and the others transferred to the west but rain prevented some of them from being played at all.

Washington and Philadelphia suffered most from the reduction in the schedule, their final three-game series being rained out.

The Champion Yankees won their season series from all the clubs except the Athletics, and had an even break with Cleveland.

Purple Quintet Has Very Heavy Schedule

Evanston, Ill.—(AP)—Northwestern University's basketball team, which received its 1926 baptism Saturday night in the game against Wabash College, has a long and tough schedule ahead of it from now on.

The next game comes with Drake, here next Saturday, and from then on, the team has fifteen contests scheduled, taking it through March 7.

Coch Maury Kent had only a three-letter man nucleus around which to construct this year's outfit, and he figures the team is yet more or less of an unknown quantity. Fisher, Busch and Baker are the three veterans.

Fisher is a center who should rank

among the best. Baker and Busch are forwards.

Tom Needham, Veteran Catcher, Died Today

Steuenville, O., Dec. 14—(AP)—Thomas Needham, 47, former National League catcher and recently scout and coach for the Chicago White Sox, died here today. Needham played with the Boston and Chicago Nationals a score of years ago.

French Battler Dies After Hartford Fight

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 14—(AP)—Charles Pegulhan, French light heavyweight, died in a hospital early today following his ring fight with Emer Friedman, Boston, here last night. The Frenchman died of a fractured skull. Friedman was held by the police.

Pegulhan collapsed in the eighth round of his bout with Friedman. The end of the contest came unexpectedly for the French boxer had been more than holding his own. The Frenchman had complained that Friedman was butting, but despite this he was fighting hard, giving and taking punishment in every round.

In the eighth round Friedman drove his right to Pegulhan's stomach and the Frenchman was driven to the ropes. They clinched and Friedman pushed away. Pegulhan then staggered and sank to the canvas. He arose at the count of ten and then collapsed.

National guardsmen carried the boxer to his dressing room and Friedman was taken to police headquarters where he was charged with manslaughter. He was released on bail pending inquiry by the coroner.

National League Drafts Schedule

New York, Dec. 14—(AP)—The chief business for the annual meeting of the National League today was the drafting of the schedule for next season.

The league, already pledged to a longer season, appeared certain to decide to name the first week in October as the closing date in 1927. The season ended the last week in September this year.

Some magnates favored asking usefulness of the advisory council of Commissioner Landis to increase the

major leagues, which has functioned but rarely in the last few years.

The practice of clubs maintaining farms in minor leagues, despite the draft system, possibly was another matter for the league's attention.

Tomorrow the magnates will leave for Chicago to attend a joint meeting with the American league.

American Managers Seek Good Box Men

Chicago, Dec. 14—(AP)—A manager with a corps of high class pitchers to sell probably could make a fortune at the gathering of American League pilots and club owners opening today.

Virtually every manager here admits he could use a dependable tosser. Business of league presidents today and tomorrow was little more than a stage setting with the machinations of managers having spotlight attention. Virtually all the league chiefs had before them was the perfunctory awarding of the 1926 pennant to the New York Yanks, selection of an umpire to succeed George Moriarty, new manager of the Detroit Tigers, decision on the length of the league schedule and selection of a new board of directors.

Five managers are hoping to obtain here talent they need for the 1927 campaign.

Ray echaik, in his first attempt at managing the White Sox seeks a second baseman to replace Eddie Collins who, gossip indicated will start next season as Connie Mack's aide at Philadelphia.

Rosenberg Barred in Jersey Until He's O. K. in Ill.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 14—(AP)—Charley (Phil) Rosenberg, recognized by the New York Boxing Commission as the world's bantam weight champion, will not be permitted to box Petie Mack, New Jersey featherweight, at the Christmas fund show in Jersey City, Dec. 20 unless he settles his differences with the Illinois Athletic Commission.

Although Rosenberg recently fought George Mack a brother of Pete at Jersey City, Platt Adams of the New Jersey Commission explains that the match was a benefit feature.

Rosenberg is under suspension in

Illinois for life, along with his manager for failure to meet Bud Taylor of Terre Haute, Ind. Rosenberg's title was declared forfeited and given to Taylor by the Illinois authorities.

MIDGET CENTER OF MINNESOTA TO KEEP PLACE

Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 14—(AP)—Minnesota's midget center, the talk of the western conference last season, will be a regular in 1927 for the third successive year unless some unexpectedly capable pivot man comes up from the 1926 frosh.

He is George Mackinnon, weight 165 pounds, the lightest center in the Big Ten and one of the smallest men that ever played that position for a western conference team, or any other big college eleven.

Mackinnon is the lad who gave away 60 pounds to a Big Ten opponent in 1925 and then outplayed him so badly that the humiliated giant actually complained to the offic's, registering kicks that were never heeded.

A native of Colorado, Mackinnon barely got the call in 1926 over Tony Hustrand, a heavy youth from the Minnesota iron range country. "Mac" was the spark of the 1926 Gophers but he seemed destined to give way to Hustrand in another year when Tony was eliminated under a surprise ruling, crediting Tony with two years' college competition at Hibbing Junior College.

Mackinnon's 1926 triumph crowned a season which began rather dimly for the Colorado youth. He reported last fall boasting a five-pound gain over his 1925 weight of 160 pounds but Coach Spears shunted him to the fourth team, simply because he craved at least the average weight at center. But the first hard game found "Mac" an early substitute at the position he held regularly from then on.

What "Mac" lacks in weight he makes up in headwork and defensive ability against forward passes. He was the "loudspeaker" for the 1926 varsity when it came to diagnosing opponents' plays and megaphoning his observations all over the field.

Tennis Association to Bar Players as Scribes

London, Dec. 14—(AP)—The Lawn Tennis Association has passed a resolution for submission to the International Lawn Tennis Federation for bidding players to write for or to be interviewed by newspapers in connection with any competition in which they are taking part.

Counties Required to Build Culverts Along County Line

Springfield, Dec. 14—(AP)—Bridges and culverts on or alongside a county line road must be built by the adjoining counties, and not by the townships, an opinion of Attorney General Oscar E. Carlstrom said today. It was given State's Attorney Philip H. Lewis of Lawrence county.

"Reading of Section 36 of the Road and Bridge act," the opinion said, "shows that bridges or culverts on roads on county lines and bridges of culverts within eighty rods of county lines shall be built and repaired by such counties, and while there is no judicial interpretation of this section that I can find, yet it seems to me that the language is clear and it makes no exception; in other words that it refers to all bridges and culverts on these roads, whether the same are directly in line of the main traveled portion of the road or whether they are at the side of the road leading into adjoining premises, or whether they are at the junction of roads."

"I am, therefore, of the opinion that it is the duty of the counties to build all bridges and culverts upon or in connection with county line roads."

IT PLAYED DEAD
AUTO SALESMAN: It speaks for itself on its performance on the road—CUSTOMER. Ah, the last one I had was a performing one, too.—The Passing Show, London.

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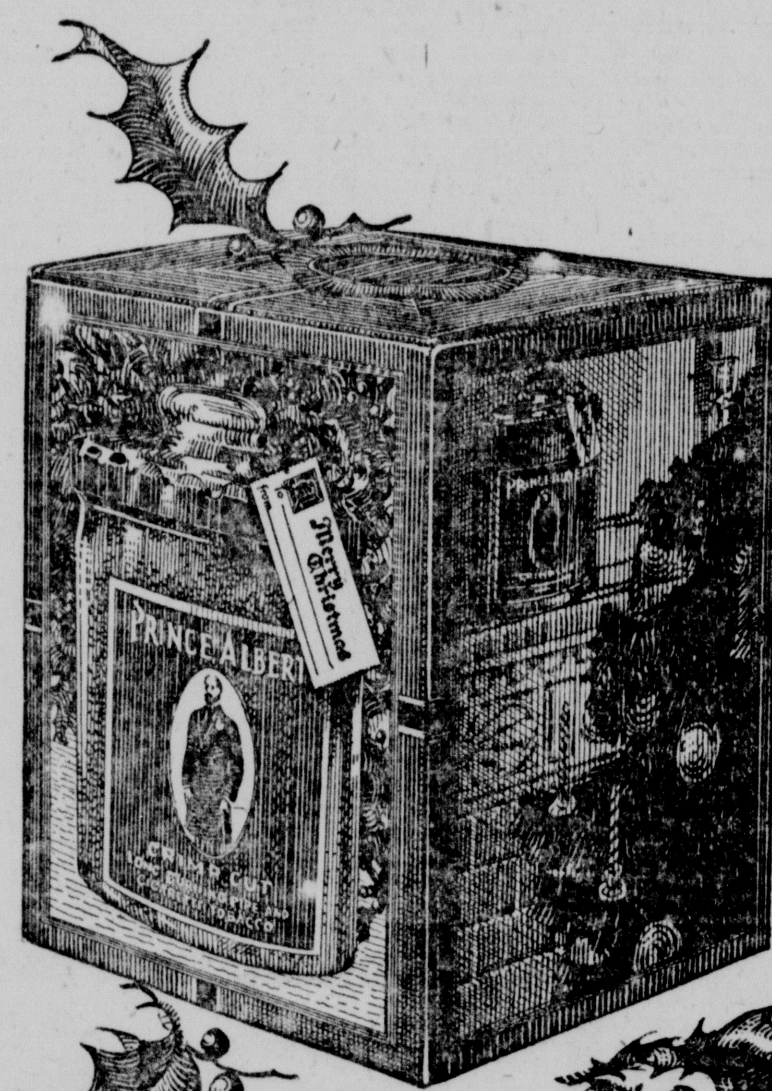
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ILL. SCHOOL FUND DISTRIBUTION IS NOT SATISFACTORY

Such is Declaration of State Teachers Organization Sec.

The State School Fund Committee of the State Teachers Association has now unanimously agreed that the present distributive law needs revision. It first decided that the primary purpose of the state distributive fund is to effect an approximate equalization of educational opportunity throughout the state. Therefore the fund ought to be apportioned primarily according to needs. But under the present law, for which data are now available for three years, more state funds go to districts with high ability and with little need than go to districts with low ability and great need.

It is generally agreed that a fair standard for measuring the financial ability of a school district is the quotient obtained by dividing its equalized assessed valuation by the number of children in average daily attendance. The quotient is the amount of taxable property available to support the education of each child in school. When the quotients are found for the 53 cities in Illinois of over 10,000 population, we learn that the assessed value back of each child varies from \$5.767 in Quincy to only \$9.26 in West Frankfort. For 39 smaller cities it varies from \$5.748 in Winnetka to \$8.36 in Johnston City.

But under the present law, in 1925 the budget claims for state aid per pupil in average daily attendance were \$12.18 for Quincy, \$13.40 for Winnetka, and only \$6.55 for West Frankfort and \$7.23 for Johnston City. Therefore, one city six times as wealthy as a poorer city receives nearly twice as much state aid per pupil.

Of course these are extreme cases taken to illustrate clearly the weakness of the present law. But the results are similar when groups of districts are compared. For instance, 13 large cities ranking high in ability claimed \$10.72 per pupil in 1925, while 13 large cities of low ability claimed only \$8.20 per pupil. Of 39 small cities, the 13 of highest ability claimed \$11.04 per pupil, while the 13 of lowest ability claimed only \$8.08 per pupil.

Therefore, it seems that the state school fund is being given as a reward to able districts rather than as an aid to help weak districts reach reasonable standards of school efficiency.

Brief Summary of Last Night's News

BY THE A.P.

Fog causes two railroad accidents and disrupts train schedules in New Jersey; four injured in one collision.

U. S. railroads carried 48,273,087,000 net ton miles of freight traffic in October, shattering all records; bureau of railroad economics announces at Washington.

Twenty three ultra-nationalists are arrested at anti-British demonstration in Paris.

Chemical tank explosion near Nice, France, results in 15 deaths and injuries to 30.

Viscount Grey, criticizing Lloyd George in London address, says it is unprecedented that one man should be in control of an enormous fund for his own political purposes.

Fifty thousand answers to a newspaper questionnaire reveal most Americans to be religious.

Mrs. Corinne Roosevelt Robinson heckles George Creel during his speech in New York, praising Wilson.

Grand Detour News

Grand Detour—William Gwynn showed in Dixon Saturday.

Mrs. Ellen Lenox is on the sick list. Mrs. Kittle Schafer was a recent visitor in this vicinity.

William Winebrenner is busy butchering.

A Christmas tree and program will be given at the church Christmas eve.

Both of the popular hotels are closed for the winter.

Mrs. William Mon made a business trip to Dixon Thursday.

Highway Patrolman Will Fisher is living in the Wiley cottage.

George Weyant sustained fractured ribs in a recent fall at his home.

Plan Legion to Honor Between-Armistice Dead

Detroit—(AP)—Detroit's two republican congressmen-elect, Clarence J. McLeod and Robert H. Clancy, have received a nationwide response to their plans for an association to commemorate the 30,000 American casualties between the false and the true armistices—November 7 and November 11, 1918.

Through their efforts has been organized the November Seventh Memorial Association. Chapter Number One is in Detroit. It proposes to honor the men who were killed and wounded during those days "because they fell at a time when the world was celebrating the end of the war."

A SUGGESTION

A box of engraved visiting cards makes a suitable Christmas gift for a young lady or young man. With the cards you receive an engraved plate to be used for future supply. Come in and see samples.

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When the Giants Battled Over Evolution



The constitutionality of Tennessee's famous anti-evolution law will be passed on in the near future by the Tennessee supreme court, when the appeal of John T. Scopes from his conviction at Dayton, Tenn., more than a year ago, is heard. The law could be knocked out by an adverse ruling. Here are scenes recalling the famous trial. Above is a view of one of the court's outdoor sessions, with an inset of Scopes; below are the late William Jennings Bryan (left) as he appeared on the witness stand, defending "fundamentalism," and Clarence Darrow, as he looked while he was cross-examining Bryan. Darrow was Scopes' chief counsel, having volunteered for the job.

FARMER-LABOR MEETING TO BE HELD TOMORROW

Unusual Gathering in Rochelle Arranged by City Leaders

A joint meeting of the farmers, laborers, business and professional men of Rochelle and the surrounding community is to be held Wednesday evening at the Rochelle Chamber of Commerce rooms. The meeting is sponsored by the Ogle County Farm Bureau, the Milan Men's Association and the Rochelle Chamber of Commerce and it is expected that the session will be one of the most unique to be held in this section of the state in some time.

The object of the meeting is to create, if possible, a closer relationship, mutual understanding and harmony between agriculture and labor. Labor will be given an opportunity of demonstrating to the rural population the strength that there is in organization and it is the aim of the session to find some common ground on which the two great organizations can work together as one unit in legislative matters.

Walker to Speak.

In order that the views of agriculture and labor may be presented as

thoroughly as possible, a leader from each field will be present to address the gathering. R. A. Cowles, of Bloomington, treasurer of the Illinois Agricultural association and a leader in the fight that agriculture is making for proper legislation, will present the farmer's view point. John Walker, president of the State Federation of Labor, will be present to address the gathering on what part labor has played in securing satisfactory national legislation in order that the farmer may better understand what must be done to secure the proper attention on the part of the national government.

Editor on Program.

Another speaker on the program will be Clifford Gregory, editor of The Prairie Farmer, one of the outstanding if not the outstanding farm papers published in this state. Mr. Gregory will tell of the part that publicity plays in securing proper legislation.

Every farmer, laborer and professional and business man, their wives and families are urged to attend the meeting. The bankers, professional men, business men and clergy of the community are especially urged to be present. DeKalb and DeKalb county farmers, laborers and business men are also asked to attend the meeting. In case the attendance is so large that the meeting cannot be held in the Rochelle Chamber of Commerce rooms it will be held in the Woodman hall.

The community meeting is of so much importance that The Associated Press will have a representative present to secure a story for the newspapers of the state.

Anniversary Meet of Underwriters' Assn. Monday Eve

The first anniversary meeting of the Rock River Underwriters' Association was held at the Hotel Dixon Monday evening and was attended by a large number of insurance men from Dixon, Polo, Sterling, Rock Falls and Amboy. The meeting started with a delicious chicken dinner, following which the business meeting was held, during which a telegram of congratulations from the president of the National Association was read and cheered.

A fine program was later given under the direction of Miss Blanche O'Malley, and it provided charming entertainment for the guests. Little Dorothy Hoyle, in costume, presented a solo dance which reflected much credit to her, being accompanied at the piano by her mother, Mrs. Frank Hoyle. Hearty applause greeted the little miss' performance.

Mrs. I. B. Potter, one of Dixon's most popular and charming singers, was heard in a double number, which she sang so well that an encore was demanded, to which she responded. She was accompanied by Mrs. W. H. Smith. An address by Attorney Martin J. Gannon, which was of much benefit and inspiration to the insurance men, completed the program.

TAGS.

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POSTMASTER IN PLEA FOR EARLY MAILING IN CITY

Fears Holiday Rush at End of Season May Tie up Service

Urging that mail patrons assist local post office workers in handling Christmas mail quickly and efficiently, Postmaster John E. Moyer today issued a bulletin which suggests the best dates to mail parcels to insure speedy delivery in various parts of the country.

The bulletin explains just when a parcel should be mailed to reach its destination in any section of the country in time for Christmas and urges that mail patrons make an effort to mail parcels early.

Fears Late Rush

According to Mr. Moyer, the rush season has not yet started at the local postoffice but he anticipates a heavy influx of parcels before the end of the week. Extra mail clerks and extra carriers will be added to the post office force next week.

Chicago is ahead of Dixon for early mailing this year according to the postmaster. Two thousand extra workers are expected to be required to handle the rush in Chicago next week. One thousand extra people were on duty there this week.

Mr. Moyer points out that no persons are employed at the post office during the Christmas rush unless they have previously passed the prescribed civil service examination for mail clerks and carriers.

The Christmas mailing schedule suggested follows:

Pacific Coast States—December 14 and 15. Washington, Oregon, California, Nevada and Idaho.

Western states—December 16 and 18. Montana, Wyoming, Utah.

Southwestern states—December 16 and 18. Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas.

Near Western states—December 17 and 20. North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado.

Southern states—December 17 to 20. Arkansas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia.

Neighboring states—December 19. Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky.

Eastern states—December 17 to 20. New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, New Jersey, Delaware and New England states.

Illinois—December 22.

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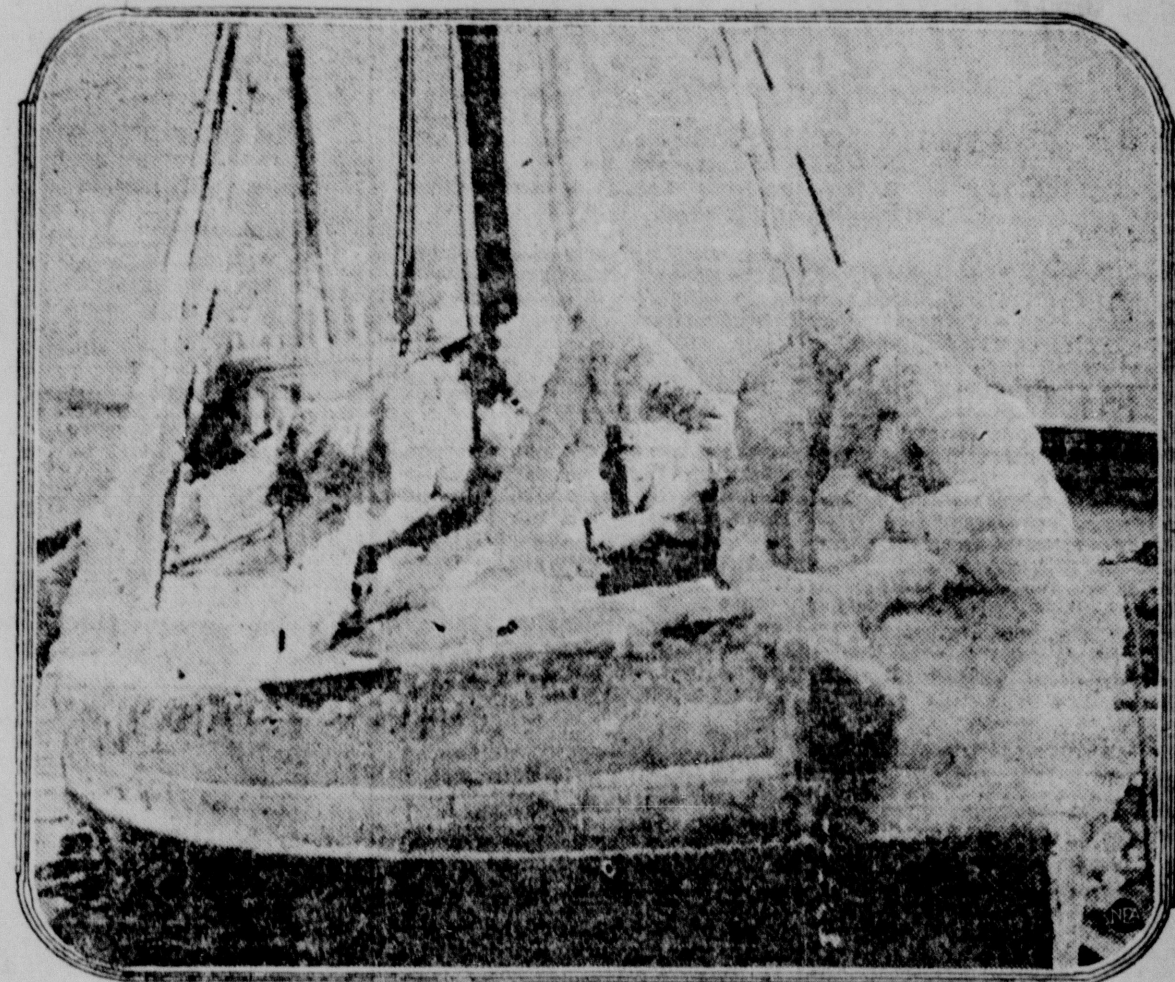
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What a few hours' bucking a snow-laden gale at sea did to the lobster smack Grace M. Cribby was evident upon her return to Boston Harbor. It took axes, elbow grease and the sun many hours to free the vessel of her unwanted refrigeration.

89 PER CENT OF AMERICANS GOD-BELIEVING FOLK

Figures of Religious Census Taken by Many Papers

New York, Dec. 14—(AP)—America possibly is more religious than England, first returns in a nation-wide religious census indicate, and the rest of the country has greater faith than has New York that there is a God.

Eighty-nine percent of 50,000 readers of 150 newspapers in 48 states have replied in a questionnaire that they believed in God, while in a similar campaign only 73 percent of the readers of The London Daily News expressed belief in a "personal God." American questionnaires were sent out by the church advertising department of the International Advertising Association and were drafted by 100 clergymen.

The question "do you believe in immortality?" brought a response of 85 percent in the affirmative.

The ratio of belief to disbelief was

almost the same to all questions in this country and in nearly every case was somewhat higher than the same ratio in England.

New York Unbelieving

In comparison to 89 percent in the country as a whole, only 68 percent of the residents of New York believe in God. In like manner while returns show 77 percent of the residents of the entire country believe in the divinity of Jesus, only 54 percent of New York residents share that belief, and while seventy percent of the country at large are active church members this is true of only 42 percent of New Yorkers.

Answers to other questions showed eighty percent believe the Bible an inspired work; seventy percent regularly attend church services; 79 percent would not want their family to grow up in a churchless community; 17 percent send their children to schools for religious instruction, and 90 percent believe religion in some form a necessary element of life for the individual and the community.

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Flashes of Life

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Philadelphia—Censorship of utterances of Americans abroad is favored by Frank Aydette, president of Swarthmore College.

New York—So much time is being devoted to sport in some colleges that graduates are unfitted for marriage. In the opinion of William Lawrence, who has given \$1,250,000 to found a new college in Bronxville, one of its principal aims will be to qualify girls for matrimony.

Chicago—It is never too late to obtain an education thinks Mrs. N. O. Freeman, 77, widow of a minister. She has enrolled at Northwestern University.

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DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY and get the advantage of the larger and better stock of goods which the stores carry at the beginning of the season. Save yourself the disappointment of not finding what you want at the last minute.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY and help the overworked sales girl. Make it possible for her to give you the attention you want.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY and add to the pleasure of those who are to receive your gifts. Christmas gifts that are bought early are more thoughtful gifts, more appropriate gifts, and more carefully selected gifts.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY and make sure that your gifts are delivered on time.

The Evening Telegraph is Your Guide to CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

When determining what Christmas gifts to buy and where to buy, consult the advertising columns of The Telegraph for assistance. They contain a most complete display of reliable merchandise from which to make your selection. You will find the announcements of all prominent high-grade stores in Dixon. Make The Telegraph your Christmas Shopping Guide.

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Don't Tell the Wife

BY WILLIAM B. COURTNEY
Copyright 1926 Warner Bros. Pictures, Inc.
"DON'T TELL THE WIFE," starring Irene Rich, is a Warner Bros. picture of this novel.

SYNOPSIS
Ranny Forbes, star polo player, and his beautiful wife, Joan, are temperamental mismatches. Joan wants a divorce. Ranny hesitates, loving her, although secretly knowing she loves Abner Gratman. While they are guests on a week-end cruise on the Stinson yacht a window, Clare, tamps Ranny, convincing Stinson, a jealous, Ranny, avoids Clare means nothing to him, qualifying Stinson. Ranny punishes Abner in a way that nearly costs his life and Joan's. Later, Joan is overjoyed when Ranny tells her he will get a divorce, but subtly upset by discrepancies between his stories to her and to others as to his destination. Then Stinson calls her up.

CHAPTER XVII.—Continued
"Hello!" said Joan, apprehensively.
Stinson's booming voice—reminiscent of wind lashing the tops of tall pines, of axe blows ringing on frosty air, of forest monarchs crashing down—threatened destruction to the delicate telephone wires and mechanism.
"Joan," he roared—and there was a plaintive note of boyishness for an overtone—"I'm a patient, good-natured man. But my patience has been strained a little too far; my good nature has been abused too much. I've been made a fool, a dunce, of. I've been made a party to a fraud! But, Sacred Cypress, I know it and—"
"Livingstone, calm yourself and tell me what in the world is the matter!"

"I've been betrayed, seduced, and swindled! Your husband swore to me that Clare Clemoneau meant nothing to him. I sympathized with him and aided him when what he needed was a swift kick. I took him into partnership when he promised that he'd not encourage Clare, and so that he'd have no temptation to break his promise I sent him off to Maine—"
"To WHERE?"
"Maine!"
"Great Scott! If I hear of another place to which he's supposed to have gone I'll think he has a job with a Tourist Agency instead of a lumber company!"
"Here and now I want to apologize for my part in his 'don't tell the wife' scheme, although I know now that I don't know much about it. I don't know what you've heard, or what he's been saying, but I'm telling you the truth now, that he's gone to Fort Ashnock, Maine, my Eastern headquarters—and that Clare Clemoneau has gone with him."
"Livingstone, you don't really—mean—"
Joan clenched the phone tightly, furiously—although, by an effort, she maintained the cool, tenor of her voice. "Are you sure about where Ranny went? I told me he was going to Minnesota!"
"Minnesota, fiddlesticks! He—that is—they've gone to Maine. I'm calling you from Mrs. Clemoneau's house. I came here, because I was to take her to the Opera. I found her gone, and no message. I finally bullied and bribed out of the butler the information that he had heard her making a reservation on the State of Maine Express. That's the train Ranny went on!"
A pause. Then—
"Livingstone Stinson," firmly, "I am going to Maine. Don't think it's because of any interest in Ranny Forbes. When he gets the divorce I'll be well rid of him. But I just won't let that little vixen brazenly parade her hold over him—while he's still legally my husband!"
Another pause. Then:
"Joan Forbes," bellowing, "I, too, am going to Maine! I'm not going to let any man use my business as a shield behind which to fool his wife and steal the woman I love!"
Presently Joan was having her gorgeous opera gown removed, and giving orders to a bustling, hard-driven maid for the quick preparation of a simple traveling wardrobe.

The butler, too, came to the door for a share of instructions, chief of which were to engage a drawing room on the first available train for Maine—and to tell Mr. Grat-

man, when he came to escort her to the Opera, that she had been suddenly called out of town and had left no address.

CHAPTER XVIII
Meanwhile, on the train that had borne them, in a day and a night from New York to that farthest northern point of the Maine border, where the tiny town of Fort Ashnock sprawled peacefully, with one elbow in Maine and the other in New Brunswick, Canada, Clare Clemoneau had carefully avoided Ranny.

She knew Ranny's temper and temperament perfectly well enough to know that if he saw her, or ever dreamt that she was on that train, he would get off at the very next stop.

Every female passenger, and more than one male, had observed with interest the tall, soldierly chap with the bronzed skin and far away eyes who kept stolidly aloof.

By burying her head in a newspaper whenever he passed during the day, by paying the price of eternal vigilance for nondiscovery, Clare gained for herself the romantically pleasing privilege of studying Ranny for hours on end.

Fort Ashnock was reached in the throes of a baby blizzard. Winter comes early and hard in the great North Woods.

Ranny, stepping off the front Pullman of the through International train, gloried in the prospect of blustery weather, and sucked in great drafts of pine-cleaned air.

Clare, shivering like an orchid in a frost, got off inconspicuously at the far end of the second Pullman, and wished fervently that she were back in steam-heated New York. Only the knowledge that Ranny was here, that she adored him, and that she would have him all to herself, gave her a measure of courage.

Of course, there was the uncertainty as to how he would welcome her under the circumstances. He had been so distant, so unavailable, since the yachting episode; and Stinson had been so watchful.

She did not care whether she had covered her tracks or not. One night to work her blonde and babyish wiles upon Ranny was all she asked!

Keeping track of Ranny in Fort Ashnock, after the Express drew away, offered no difficulties. There was only one hotel in the town.

Clare gave him plenty of time to get there and registered before she, too, went to the quaint old inn and sought accommodations. She did not register under her correct name. She wished to avoid, at all hazards, the possibility of Ranny learning of her presence from the register, and possibly taking defensive measures, before she confronted him in the flesh.

Supper—as the good, but simple, meal, was officially known—last night afforded her an excellent stage setting. Ranny could not be abusive, nor flagrantly rebuff her before that small roomful of curious people.

He had his back turned to the door when she entered. He was gazing to himself in a smug, pleased way at the way he felt that he had much to be pleased about—for his subtle campaign, to provoke the curiosity of Joan and to undermine her respect for Abner, had augured well, so far as he had been able to judge. For the rest—a little time, a lot of patience, and brain would win where brawn had failed.

Then a silky voice fell upon his ears: "I just adore grass widowers!"
Ranny almost kicked over his chair in his great amazement as he arose.

Clare met his stony, and far from welcoming, gaze with so ingenious and innocent a smile that his temper was bewildered and disarmed for the moment in spite of himself. She WAS a provoking, alluring little witch as she stood there smiling and hissing:

"Ranny, old dear, you needn't look as though you're seeing a ghost! It's I, your little Clare, in the flesh—look!"
She pinched one velvety cheek and demurely turned it up for his inspection of the glowing finger marks.

Two weeks ago Ranny would have considered this a cute trick out of Clare's widow-bag. Now it died him.

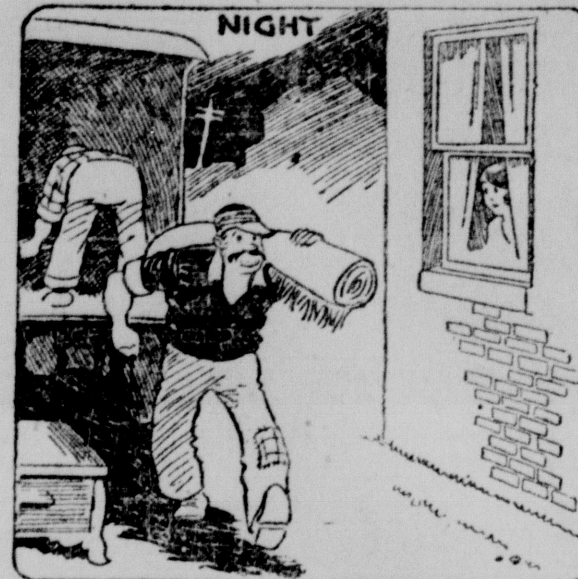
But—the other diners were staring. He bit his lip, and politely drew up a chair for her.

"You've done a terribly foolish thing—" he began. But Clare, not a bit overawed by his anger, coyly hushed him.

"I learned from Stinson that you were coming here to get divorced—" "I'm not going to get a divorce! I'm merely saying so to win back my wife. I love her—but if she learns you're here it will spoil my chances for proving it!"
Clare suddenly underwent a startling metamorphosis. The butterfly became a tiger. "Ranny, she'll never have you again, no matter what I have to do to prevent it! I love you—and I'll have you!"
(To be continued)

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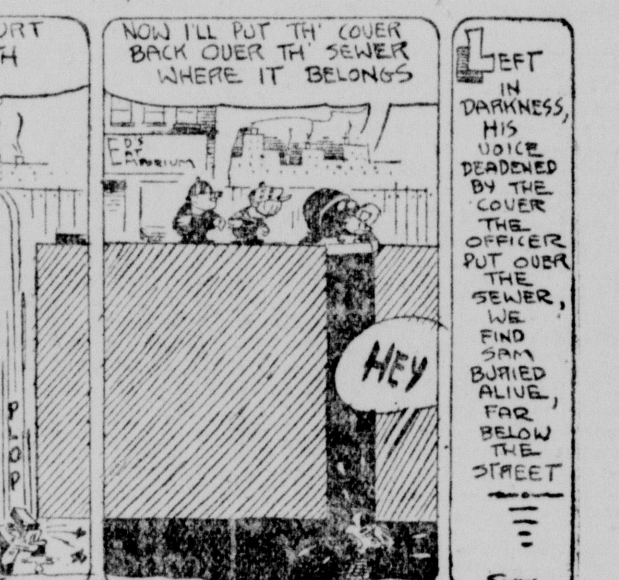
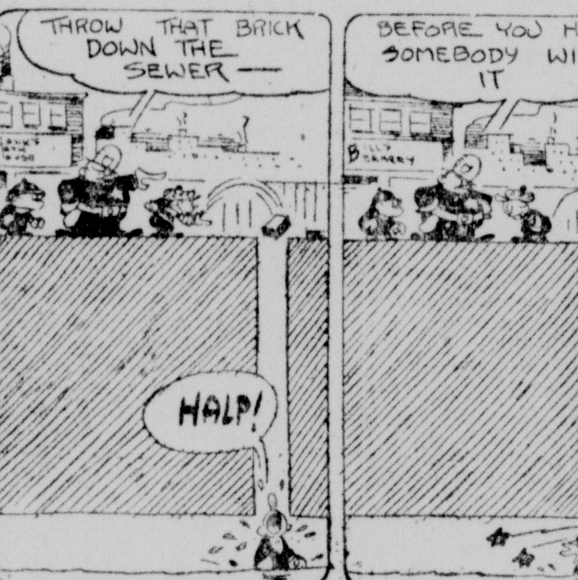
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FOR SALE—Shop worn fence and gates, special prices. Northwestern Barb Wire Co., Sterling, Ill. 245124

FOR SALE—8 h. p. gas engine. Roy Conbar, Lee Center, Ill. 266124

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FOR SALE—6 room house with garage and well. Close in. Will sell on installment plan. \$200 down and balance like rent. Davis Bros., Ambury, Ill. 275206

FOR SALE—Headquarters for Radio batteries, flash light batteries, hot shots and dry cells. Kline's Auto Supply. 2717

FOR SALE—Eggs are high. You can buy good eggs at 55c per dozen, at 55 Hennepin Ave. Phone 1070. 2811

FOR SALE—Nurses record sheets. B. F. Shaw Printing Co., Dixon, Ill. 11

FOR SALE—Ford Tudor, 3 months old, Duco finish, balloon tires, also Chevrolet Coupe. Nash Garage, 90 Ottawa Ave., Phone 201. 2817

FOR SALE—1 ton Ford truck. Roy Conbar, Lee Center, Ill. 28517

FOR SALE—Special, 45 V Radio R. batteries N712, \$2.95. Grow Auto Parts Co. 28517

FOR SALE—I have taken over entire stock formerly owned by E. A. Greenfield. In order to reduce stock special prices on everything. Zeluff K. Hartson, 316 West First St. 28517

FOR SALE—Pured Buff Orpington cockerels. Large type, \$2 each. O. H. Barlow, Ambury, Ill. 28516

FOR SALE—Canaries, trained registered rollers, beauties, reasonably priced. Deposit will hold until Christmas. Mrs. J. S. Ferris, 410 B Ave., Sterling, Ill. 28516

FOR SALE—We have in stock at all times a genuine full line of Ford parts and accessories. Replacement Parts Co., 313 West First St. 2901

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FOR SALE—If you are interested in a used piano, we can please you in quality, price and terms. Our long teaching experience enables us to select best values. Strong Music Co. 2913

FOR SALE—Her longing for a car cannot be satisfied by any other gift. A guaranteed car. The first owner lost money. You save by buying it. We have a choice lot, including two Buicks, used as demonstrators, cannot be told from new cars and sold with new car guarantee. J. L. Glassburn, Chevrolet Sales & Service, opposite Postoffice. Phone 500. 2913

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Good 80 acre farm. W. W. Wooley, Real Estate and Insurance, Dixon National Bank Bldg. 2913

FOR SALE—3 good Poland China Spring hogs. These pigs won every possible first at Lee County Fair. Forrest Shawyer, Phone 21500. 2913

FOR SALE—Big closing out sale, 4 miles north of Waukegan, 2 1/2 miles west of Pennsylvania Corners, 4 1/2 miles southeast of Polo on Wednesday, Dec. 15, 1926, beginning at 10 o'clock with free lunch at noon. 8 good horses, 65 cattle, 34 being good T.B. tested milk cows, some heifers, 22 head of feeders; 30 Pure Bred Hampshire hogs; 50 head of 2-year-old bred ewes; 100 chickens; Moline Universal tractor and full line of good farm machinery; some household goods. Ralph M. Whitmer, Stauffer and Garman, Auct.; Wilson Bros., Clerks. 29213

FOR SALE—12 Purebred Duroc Jersey brood sows, all registered, at farmers prices. H. H. Schultz, 1 mile northeast of Waukegan. 2913

FOR SALE—My equity in a nice property located at 1125 Chestnut Ave., consisting of nice 5 room cottage in good condition and nearly modern; a good 2-stall garage and extra lot. Balance of contract like rent. Inquire at 1111 Chestnut Ave., or Deway Hotel, or Wm. Fane, Sterling, Ill. 29213

FOR SALE—Public auction, 11 head of choice milk cows, 1 heifer, goats and farm machinery at Cheney farm, 2 miles south of Dixon, Thursday, Dec. 16th, at 1 p. m. Herman Benson and Barbara Fry, Executors. 29213

FOR SALE—Round solid walnut table, French legs, 115 inch top. Bargain. J. E. Roper, 123 E. First St., Phone 78. 29213

FOR SALE—20 stoves and 6 kitchen cabinets. The Square Deal Second-Hand Store, 609 W. Third St., Phone X1348. Open nights. 29216

FOR SALE—Used tires, sizes 30x3.77 and 32x4. Murray Auto Co., Phone 100. 29217

FOR SALE—Good practice piano, \$75; used oak piano, just refinished, new \$40; easily worth \$200; special for \$225; good used phonograph worth \$100 for \$49.50; used \$100 phonograph for \$80. Kennedy Music Co. 29217

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Special prices on Fyroc spot lights and flash lights for Christmas. H. A. Mangels, 79 Galena Ave., Phone 446. 2911

FOR SALE—A few Duroc Spring hogs. Ed. Shawyer, Phone 21500. 2913

FOR SALE—Don't forget the marvelous bargains in used Victrolas. A few choice outfits left. Theo. J. Miller & Sons. 2911

FOR SALE—Choice Single Comb Red cockerels from trap-nested flock. H. J. Hughes, Tel. 12. 2913

FOR SALE—1 Crosley 3-tube radio (Reflexed). Has the volume of six tubes, together with two new 45-volt B batteries, 1 cone loud speaker and 3 new tubes. \$45. Buy an A battery and a Loop-Airial and you are ready to go. One large library table size 49x29x30 inches, high fumed oak, \$15. Merton W. Squier, 529 E. McKinley St. 29213

FOR SALE—Poland China spring and yearling hogs, Cholera immunized, prices reasonable. Phone 1111. D. T. Fitzpatrick, Ambury, Ill. 29216

FOR SALE—Full blooded Boston Terriers. Phone K458. 29313

FOR SALE—Fox Terrier pups. Phone Y1166. 2911

FOR SALE—Studebaker touring car, Special Six, California top. Good mechanical condition. Price \$375. If taken at once. Call at 612 Highland Ave. 29313

FOR SALE—Underwood typewriter, nearly new \$45. Barrett, 403 W. Third St. Call after 5 p. m. 29313

FOR SALE—A wonderfully beautiful selection of cards. Just the thing you would want to send as a greeting to your out-of-town friend. You may buy as many or few as you wish. Only come now while the selection is good. B. F. Shaw Printing Co. 29312

FOR SALE—Lump salt, suitable for cattle @ \$3 per ton. Sandusky Cement Co., Phone 65. 29313

FOR SALE—Pure bred Duroc Jersey male pig; immunized, double treatment; Barred Rock cockerels, growling, nicely barred. W. H. Maxwell, 2 1/2 miles north of Prairieville. 29313

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WANTED—Top and side curtain repairing. Quick service, satisfaction guaranteed. Replacement Parts Co., 313 W. First St., Tel. 604. 2721

WANTED—Your old pieces of furniture to be refinished. H. B. Fuller, 512 N. Galena Ave., Phone X948. 11

WANTED—Dixon people to know that in connection with my furniture repair and refinishing work I do framing of furniture for shipping. Harold Fuller, Tel. X948. 11

WANTED—Rugs to clean. All kinds of furniture refinished and repaired. J. E. Roper, Tel. 78. 123 East First St. 2691

WANTED—Evening Telegraph subscribers to know that they can renew magazine subscriptions in connection with their Telegraph. 11

WANTED—Short and long distance hauling. Prices reasonable. D. G. Moore, Phone 784 or Residence 4911. 2701

WANTED—Get our price on automobile, tire, repairing machine work, cylinder grinding and brake relining. Dixon Machine Works, Phone 264. 2811

WANTED—Any kind of nickel, copper, brass and silver plating work. Rusch's Electrical Shop, 504 Depot Ave., Phone 263. 2811

WANTED—The people to know we have a sale—men's suits and overcoats, ladies' plain wool dresses and plain wool coats cleaned and pressed, \$1.25. Bon Ton Cleaner, 117 1/2 First St. 2811

WANTED—Local and long distance hauling. All goods insured in transit. Jay Atkins, Transfer. Phone K 1103. 11

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WANTED—My customers to know that I have changed my telephone number from X702 to 449 to L. Schumm store, local and long distance hauling. W. F. Hoffman. 28716

WANTED—Trucking of all kinds, also city and long distance moving. Prices right. A. Burnmeister, Phone X728. 2861

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Broken Threads

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WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE

To the home of PROF and MOL-LIE ELWELL in Camdensville, Ind., one night in October of 1898, comes MARTHA DALTON, a nurse, bearing a woman who had fainted on the train on which Martha had been traveling. Elwell is an artist. He has a son, JIM, aged 5. Late that night two girls are born to the woman, who dies without revealing her name. The Elwells adopt the girls. The story then moves forward 18 years. The twins, now growing to beautiful womanhood, have been named MARGARET and ELIZA BETH and nicknamed KUSTY and BETTY.

America enters the World War and Jim Elwell enlists. Two nights before he goes away he discovers that one of the twins loves him and he is in love with her. He tells his mother but does not tell which one it is, because he wants her to love both of them equally in the event he does not return. He departs for training camp and shortly afterward gets travel orders.

NOW BEGIN THE STORY

CHAPTER XIII
EXCITEMENT gripped Jim Elwell as he left the headquarters building and turned toward his own barracks.

Back once more with his own outfit and packing his duffle bag, he was forced to answer a bombardment of questions.

"What's up, Elwell?"

"Goin' to travel," he answered.

"Where to?"

"Don't know."

"He's prob'ly goin' to Camp Merritt, th' lucky stiff."

"I was near Camp Merritt once. When they took me they sent me to Fort Slocum, New York. An' now I'm out here in Indiana. I suppose my next move is San Francisco."

"Yeah, go to France by way of the Golden Gate. See the world!"

Fort Slocum, Simmons observed, was the place where Uncle Sam sent you until he made up his mind about you.

"Wish I was goin' with you, Elwell," he said.

"Same here," said Jim. "Sorry you're not comin' along."

That night Jim found himself on a train, along with perhaps a hundred others, all of them enthusiastic at the prospect of getting away—not knowing where they were going but hoping it was toward Hoboken—and France.

Jim got off a letter to the family and gripped Simmons' hand warmly as he left. Simmons, this quiet, well-mannered chap, was to die in a gallant but foolhardy attempt to disengage a first lieutenant from a barbed wire and get him out of range of German bullets.

The lieutenant lost a leg but lived, to call personally on the Simmons family in Chicago after the war and tell them of their heroic son, an act for which the elder Simmons was so grateful that he took the officer into his business and made him a rich man. . . . The fortunes of war. . . .

Someone had guessed correctly when he said Camp Merritt. To this area in New Jersey, where men were snatched from their bunks in the early hours before dawn to be placed on board transports, Jim Elwell and many others were assigned.

It was here, where men came and went every day, where troops poured in from all over the United States and poured out again toward Europe, that Jim was to form one of the most peculiar friendships of his career.



Jim Elwell, now on his way to France and—maybe—sudden death, decided he had been a fool.

Peculiar because Jim Elwell brought up in a family where rigid honesty and unwavering morals were accepted as a matter of course, became the bosom pal of a product of New York's slums, an underdog youth who had been shifting for himself since he was a ragged orphan of ten and whose code was every man for himself.

Joe Wren was his name. Jim took his part in an argument one day and fought his fight for him when the wrath of Wren's enemy was diverted to himself. An act for which Wren was grateful.

Food at Camp Merritt was "army grub" and while filling and sustaining it was lacking in some of the more polite fare to which most of them were accustomed.

One afternoon, three days after his arrival at the camp, Wren, complaining that his stomach was yearning for something sweet, hit Jim Elwell for a loan.

"I'm busted an' I'm hungry, Jim. Let me take a buck."

Jim was fast himself, he informed the other. "I've got four bits, Joe. That's all to my name till pay day."

"Well, got anything you can sell or borrow on? Cigaret case, watch, ring?"

"No, nothin' I'd care to hock."

"Well, how about this fountain pen?" pointing to Jim's shirt pocket, Jim smiled. "It's a good pen, but I don't think I'd want to sell it. It cost \$8.50."

"Eight-fifty? Gee, it must be solid gold!"

Only the pen point was that, Jim assured him. Still, it was a good

pen. "Tell you what. We'll sell it an' go an' eat. What good's a fountain pen gonna do you when you get in th' trenches?"

Jim couldn't knock over this argument. Very little, he admitted.

"Well, sell it, then. If you want it back again, I'll see that you get it sooner or later."

Jim didn't ask how. In fact, he never thought again of ever getting it back.

"I'll pick out some guy who looks like he had some money and while I'm talkin' to him you come up an' try to sell the pen. Leave the rest to me."

He left, and Jim followed at a distance. Soon Joe Wren had collared a strange youth, just in with a field artillery unit, and engaged him in earnest conversation.

Jim stepped up. "Say, buddy, I got cleaned out in a crap game, an' I'm willin' to sell this fountain pen. Wanta buy it?"

The youth looked suspicious. He was a rosy-cheeked lad and most likely someone had told him to be careful of some of his army associates.

"I'm broke myself," he informed Jim, but took the pen and eyed it carefully. "How much do you want for it?" he inquired.

Joe Wren spoke up. "Say, that's a great pen. I borrowed it myself yesterday to write a letter. This guy's all right, brother," indicating Jim Elwell. "The pen's O. K."

"I'll take five dollars for it," Jim announced after some hesitation.

"A bargain. Snap it up, brother."

Jim Elwell learned what war is like pretty soon. Read the next installment.

advised Wren. "Say, if I had five bucks I'd take it in a minute an' then go an' peddle it for six."

The rosy-cheeked soldier hesitated. "I've only got five or six dollars, I'll give you four for it."

"Sold!" cried Joe Wren. Jim accepted the money and walked off. A minute later he was followed by his partner in the deal.

"Now," said Joe, "we'll get ourselves a supply of candy and cigarettes. Gangway for a couple buddies!"

After Jim had divided the cash with Joe Wren and the latter had announced he was going to make it grow in a game, they fell in for a formation.

As he was turning in that night, Jim felt something hard thrust into his hand. He looked up and found Joe Wren. That worthy, with a huge grin, was proffering the fountain pen. "Jim, nearly fell over. 'Where did you get it?'"

"Where do you s'pose? Say, that apple knocker wasn't good enough for a pen like that. I took it out of his pocket. Take your pen back, brother, an' some day when we're busted again we'll sell it all over again."

Jim laughed, but shook his head.

"No, I don't want it now, Joe. I sold it. If you got it from the other guy, more power to you—and keep it."

Wren was astonished. More, he appeared hurt.

"What's the big idea? I said I'd get it back for you."

And it took Jim the better part of half an hour to tell Joe Wren on the idea that this was not an honest transaction.

And so Joe kept the pen. Later on, when he got broke again, he found him another partner and the two of them worked their little skin game until they left Camp Merritt. Joe confessed to Jim Elwell when they were on their way to France, that he had sold that pen for \$75.

"And here's the pen."

Despite Jim Elwell's different conception of things, the two remained fast friends. Nor did Joe Wren think his big buddy was one of "these here sanctimonious reformers."

Back in Camdensville Prof and Mollie Elwell and the twins tried to keep gay, but every letter from him they opened with misgivings.

But, Jim explained, "I'll probably be over in France before you know I've sailed. They don't give you any notice around here. They can't, I guess. The submarines have got 'em worried and they're not trustin' anybody."

Early one August morning, long before the had crept over the eastern horizon, Jim Elwell left Camp Merritt.

JOHN L. WHITMAN WAS "FATHER" OF PEN HONOR FARM

Noted Penologist, Born
in Sterling, Died
Monday Afternoon

John L. Whitman, former warden of Joliet State Penitentiary, who died in Chicago Monday, gained a national reputation as a penologist who believed in prison reform and innovations in the care of prisoners.

Physicians said that grief over his forced resignation at Joliet was a contributing factor in his death.

Mr. Whitman's resignation was demanded by a grand jury which investigated a prison break last May during which seven prisoners escaped after killing a deputy warden. Six of the prisoners who since have been caught and their punishment fixed at death. The grand jury which asked his retirement did not question his honesty or sincerity but maintained that some of his reform methods, which he had spent years in perfecting and putting into operation, were impractical.

Began as a Guard

Mr. Whitman, 64 years old, began his career as a penologist in the humble capacity of a guard in the Cook county jail at Chicago more than 30 years ago. Soon thereafter he became jailer and promptly abolished corporal punishment. Next he instituted entertainment for prisoners, particularly on Sunday, when they ordinarily were confined to their cells.

He next became superintendent of the house of correction here and served in that capacity for ten years. During his service, he devised a model prison which since has been widely copied. Features were plenty of ventilation and sunlight, with huge glass walls facing the cells.

From 1917 to 1922 he served as state superintendent of prisons and from 1922 to 1926 as warden of Joliet penitentiary in charge of upward of 2,000 convicts. One of the innovations he introduced during this period was the prison "honor farm," a state farm to which model prisoners were sent and where they were to be on their honor to obey prison regulations and not to try to escape. He also began placing prisoners in various grades, and allowing them to work for privileges by their conduct as prisoners. His honor farm many times was attacked, particularly when some prisoners walked away, but he remained a staunch advocate of it although since his retirement as warden, the system has been greatly modified and restricted.

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penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga., but he refused, maintaining that his work among convicts at Joliet was too important for him to leave. Less than two years later his resignation was requested, brought about by the methods he advocated.

During the height of his career Whitman wrote many books on the treatment and care of prisoners and in many magazine articles assailing brutality in penal institutions and asked for humane methods in the treatment of convicts.

During the investigation of the prison break which resulted in his retirement he appeared before a grand jury to defend his administration and maintained that he was being made the "scapegoat" when his retirement was asked. Relatives said he had brooded over this since.

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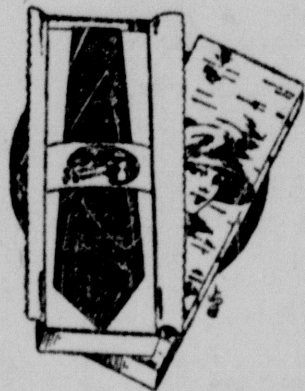
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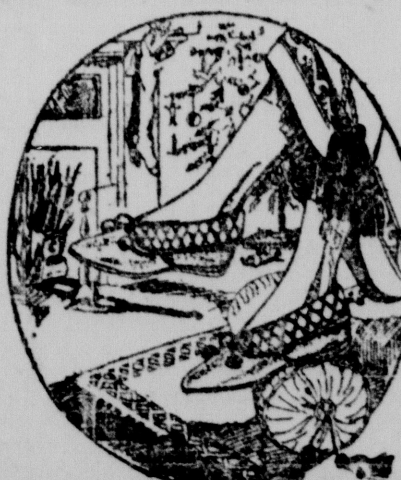
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